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German Penetration Of Bulgaria

Mr. Churchill, reviewing the war situation in a broadcast at four o'clock this morning, H.K. time, announced the development of a critical situation in the Balkans.

The Prime Minister said that there had already been German penetration of Bulgaria, presumably with the consent of the Bulgarian Government, and he spoke of preparations indicating the imminence of "violent action."

The War's Most Tremendous Naval Bombardment

THE ROYAL NAVY UNLEASHED AT DAWN YESTERDAY, THE WAR'S MOST TREMENDOUS NAVAL BOMBARDMENT OF A PORT, WHEN HEAVY AND LIGHT UNITS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN FLEET SENT OVER 300 TONS OF SHELLS CRASHING INTO THE GREAT PORT OF GENOA, THE HISTORIC FOURTH CITY OF ITALY.

Naval aircraft at the same time were aiming high explosive and incendiary bombs on military objectives at Pisa, and also were blasting one of the largest oil plants in Italy, at Leghorn — Leghorn, the front door of the Italian Fleet.

BRITAIN READY FOR BLITZKRIEG

An important move to speed up the repair of bombed factories which will bring engineers and surveyors on the spot even while a raid is still on, is announced by the Minister of Works and Buildings, Lord Reith.

Lord Reith has appointed as Director of Emergency Reconstruction, Major-General C. C. Appleyard, and Permanent Area Officers throughout the country are to work with the Minister of Aircraft Production and local reconstruction panels.

The objective of the new Director will be to concentrate on the repair of vital factories and buildings with the greatest possible speed so that war production may suffer as little as possible.

Thus, engineers and surveyors will be on the spot possibly before a raid is over, material rushed in to whatever extent is necessary, special action being taken regarding labour. — Reuter.

Vatican Radio Jammed

The Vatican Radio has been jammed for several weeks, and this was the explanation given by the announcer for the slow speed and constant repetition of messages given out yesterday.

"We beg our listeners," said the announcer, "to excuse us for speaking slowly and repeating all the time, but for several weeks now the Vatican Radio has been jammed by an unknown source."

"We have never put over the air anything that was not in accordance with the law of nature and God, and no reports of which we had not previously obtained irrefutable proof."

"We conclude this is a manoeuvre by certain people who are afraid of the truth: being heard and the work of powers that shun the light of lying propaganda." — Reuter.

NAZIS MAN DANISH WARSHIPS

Danish torpedo-boats have been flying the German flag and have been manned by Germans since Wednesday, states the Stockholm newspaper, "Dagens Nyheter," in Stockholm yesterday.

This follows reports circulating in Stockholm during the past week that Germans had taken over Danish torpedo-boats and submarines.

The newspaper says that the torpedo-boats are intended for operating in the Baltic and for use in training, but adds that there is no question of taking over the submarines.

"This is the first serious breach of the original conditions laid down at the time of the German occupation comments the 'Dagens Nyheter'."

The Germans, it adds, are systematically obtaining the removal of Cabinet members with the object of eventually having a Ministry in Copenhagen possessing the confidence of the King and the people but at the same time willing to yield to German demands. — Reuter.

All this was achieved for the loss of only one Swordfish aircraft, while two Italian planes were shot down.

The bombardment was even more successful than was at first thought, states an Admiralty communique, giving these further details.

The forces under the command of Vice-Admiral Sir James Somerville consisted of the battle-cruiser, H.M.S. Renown, the battleship, H.M.S. Malaya, the aircraft-carrier, H.M.S. Ark Royal, and the cruiser, H.M.S. Sheffield, with light forces in company.

tion of the main west coast railway from Genoa to Rome and the south and is one of the most important railway routes across the Peninsula from Leghorn to Bologna and Venice.

Two Italian aircraft which attempted to interfere were shot down. One British Swordfish aircraft is missing.

The communique concludes: No other casualties were suffered by the British forces in the course of these most successful operations. — Reuter.

Power Station Hit

The following results were observed states the communique:

The Ansaldo Electric Works and the Ansaldo Boiler Works were heavily hit and large fires started.

The main power station of the port, which also supplies power for the railways, was severely damaged and set on fire.

Many hits were also made on the dry docks and warehouses and the harbour works surrounding the inner harbour. Here, too, considerable fires broke out.

The main oil fuel installation and the oil tanks were repeatedly hit, as were a number of supply ships and the main goods yard of the railway.

Leghorn Attack

Several tons of bombs and a large number of incendiaries were dropped by naval aircraft on the oil refinery of Anic at Leghorn and on other targets in the vicinity. This oil refinery is one of the largest and most important oil plants in Italy.

Other naval aircraft attacked Pisa, where the aerodrome and railway junction were hit. This railway junction is the Interco-

CHUNGKING DENIES RUMOURS

A CATEGORICAL DENIAL WAS GIVEN IN CHUNGKING YESTERDAY BY A CHINESE MILITARY SPOKESMAN TO RUMOURS THAT THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS WERE FORMING AN INDEPENDENT ARMY OR THAT PUNITIVE MEASURES AGAINST THEM HAD BEEN TAKEN, OR WERE CONTEMPLATED.

After recalling that the Chinese Communists had pledged their alliance to the National Forces in September 1939, the spokesman said that they undertook to abide by the orders of the Chinese Government.

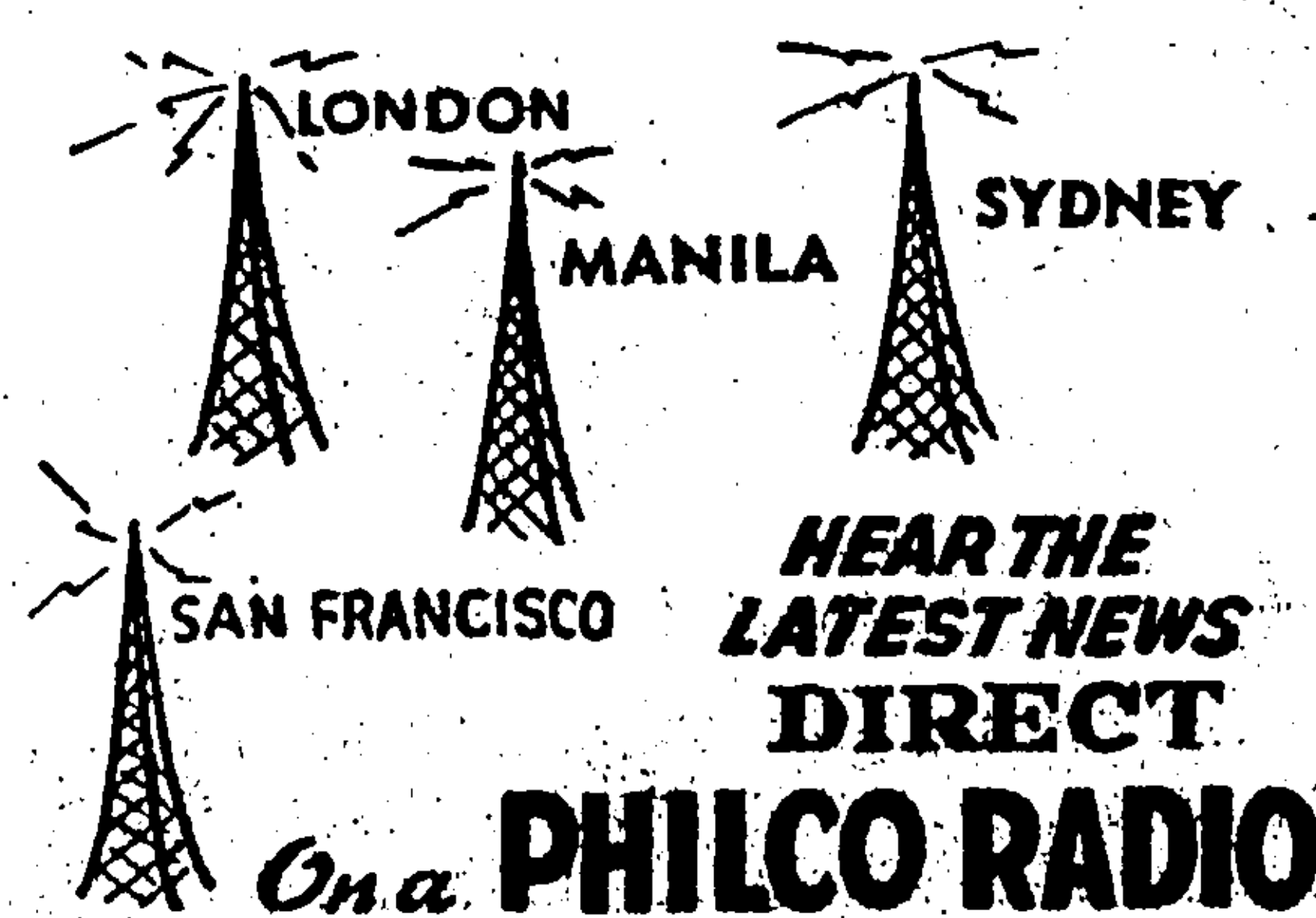
The Communists forces were now simply one section (about

SITUATION AT SHA YU-CHUNG

Chinese reports that the Japanese have left Sha-yu-chung were authoritatively denied this morning.

In fact, the Japanese troops which occupied Sha-yu-chung have spread to neighbouring villages along the coast, east and west of Sha-yu-chung.

two per cent.) of the Chinese National Forces, he concluded. — Reuter.



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Armoured Units In Libya Now On Tripolitan Border

CHUNG HWA CLUB DANCE

Celebrating their second anniversary, the Chung Hwa Club will hold a Supper Dance in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, on Saturday next.

Although young, the Chung Hwa Club has made a name for itself in sporting circles having, since its inauguration, participated in almost every branch of sport, particularly in baseball and softball.

Most of its members are American born Chinese, the President being Mr. Al Lau; Vice-President Mr. Dick Chung; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Kenneth Wong; and Hon. Secretary, Miss Gene Pang.

Miss Gene Pang will be sailing at the end of this month for the United States where her parents have made their home.

SENTRY AND THE BUNK SLEEPER

A civil servant who sleeps each night at his office is alleged by the Civil Service Clerical Association to have been held at bayonet point for twenty minutes by the sentry on duty at the office because he declined to go to his bunk before he was ready to do so.

He was later handed over to the police and taken by van to the police station, from which he was subsequently released on bail.

On the following morning he was fined 10s. for "obstructing the sentry in the course of his duty."

The association has asked the

Five Senior Generals Captured

ADVANCED ELEMENTS of the British armoured forces in Libya have occupied El Agheila, a coastal town over a hundred miles south of Benghazi and well on the road to Tripoli.

Five senior Generals and many thousands of prisoners have been taken at Benghazi, in addition to the Army Commander and Corps Commander already reported.

In Eritrea, the disorganised Italians, according to last night's Cairo communique were being chased towards Arreza.

The R.A.F. Middle East communique says: The R.A.F. is harassing the retreating Italian forces. Motor transport, troops, gun emplacements and other objectives in and around Keren have been repeatedly bombed.

In Abyssinia, eight Italian machines were destroyed on the landing ground at Alcmata, south of Lake Tana, and considerable damage was done by British aircraft to the camp.

authorities to conduct an investigation into the case with a view to an apology being made and the conviction quashed.

At Karora, on the Eritrean-Sudan frontier, near the coast, an enemy concentration was bombed, while the landing grounds at Dessie were also raided, bombs falling among the hangars and buildings. Only one British machine is missing.

Eleven prisoners were captured from Capronis shot down on February 3 and it is confirmed that one other enemy plane was destroyed that day.

Small Town

El Agheila, occupied by the British Forces, is a small town of about 1,000 inhabitants.

It had barracks for the Carabinieri, a wireless station and an emergency landing ground.

The town stands at the southernmost point of the Gulf of Sirte, 175 miles by road from Benghazi and 10 miles from the border of Tripolitania.

Travelling westward, El Agheila is the last place of any importance before the desert of Sirte.

Big Advance

A further big advance by British forces in Libya was announced in yesterday's Middle East Command communique, which states that El Agheila—about 145 miles south of Benghazi—has been occupied by the advanced elements of the British armoured forces.

Meanwhile, the communique adds that the clearance of battlefields, south of Benghazi, is continuing.

Owing to the extent of the area covered by the final operations, some time will elapse before the exact number of prisoners and the amount of war materials captured can be known.

Keren Defence

In Eritrea, operations around Keren have been developing satis-

ATTACKS CONVOY FOR LAST TIME

The enemy plane which attempted to attack a convoy yesterday was promptly shot down into the sea by the escort vessel "Pythchley" it was announced in London yesterday.

The Admiralty communique said that there were no survivors from the enemy aircraft.—Reuter.

R.A.F. RAIDS OF A WEEK

Royal Air Force raids over Germany occupied ports and beyond, were on larger scale once again during the week ending at dawn on Friday.

Altogether three raids were made on docks and other objectives at Brest, Boulogne and Ostend while at Dieppe and Dunkirk, docks and shipping were also attacked.

Fighter aircraft escorting a small bomber force twice made offensive sweeps in daylight over a wide area in northern France, attacking both ports and inland aerodromes.

During the week, various targets in the Dusseldorf area in Germany were attacked. These included two railway junctions, an aerodrome and a large factory.—Reuter.

GLOWING TRIBUTE TO INDIAN TROOPS IN MIDDLE EAST

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL Auchinleck, new Commander-in-Chief in India, in a broadcast yesterday paid glowing tribute to the Indian troops for their part in the operations in Africa.

He said that on his way to India he had seen several Indian units in Eastern Sudan some of which had already fought at Sidi Barrani.

"Even this moment they are winning fresh battle honours," he said.

"On the eve of the latest brilliant victory, I received the following message from General Wavell: 'Indian troops were amongst the early reinforcements

factorily although the enemy has reinforced the troops holding positions in that region.

Further south, British forces continue in close pursuit of the disorganised Italians who are making their way over difficult country towards Arreza, close to the Abyssinian border.

British progress along the Gondar road in Abyssinia have been temporarily slowed up by extensive mine-fields which are now being cleared while in Italian Somaliland, intense patrol activity has still further deepened the areas of British penetration.—Reuter.

to arrive in Egypt and have been maintaining the defence of that country ever since.

"This long period was rewarded by their participation in the battle of Sidi Barrani in which the magnificent work of the Indian troops enhanced the already high reputation they previously held.

"Since then, Indian troops have taken part in several important actions culminating in the most brilliant pursuit from Kassala to Keren.

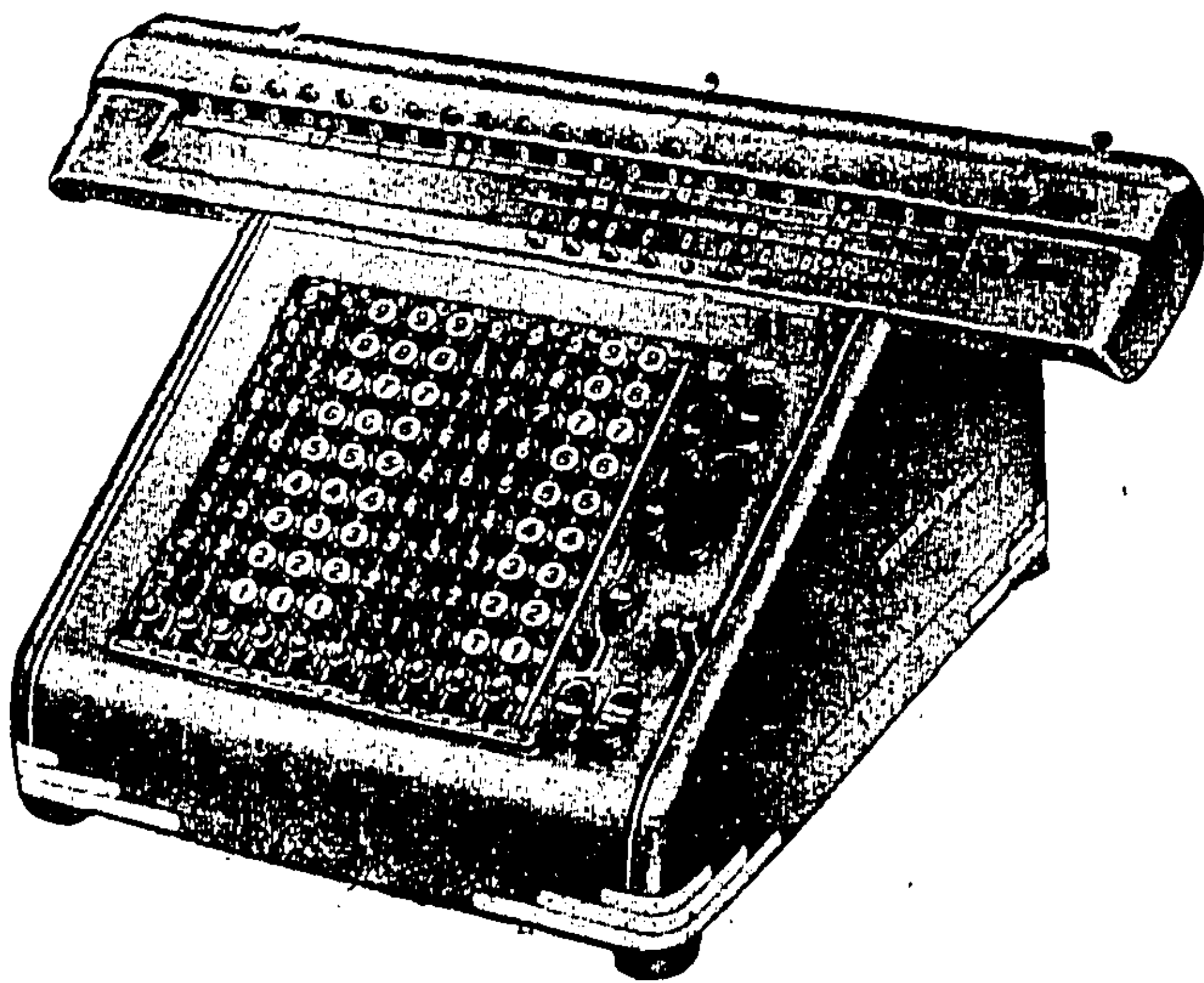
"In this action Indian troops performed extremely good work in most difficult conditions."

Invasion Prediction

Lieutenant-General Auchinleck also declared that everything suggested that the present war would be critical while concerning the possibility of an attempt to invade Britain, he declared that he had no doubt whatever that if the attempt were made it would "end in complete disaster" as Britain was now one vast fortress.—Reuter.

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Mr. Churchill's Review Of War Situation

Triumph In Libya: Menace In Balkans: Invasion Warning

"WE STOOD OUR GROUND AND FACED TWO DICTATORS IN AN HOUR OF WHAT SEEMED TO BE THEIR OVERWHELMING TRIUMPH AND WE HAVE SHOWN OURSELVES CAPABLE SO FAR OF STANDING UP AGAINST THEM ALONE."

Mr. Winston Churchill opened his broadcast to the Nation and Empire with these words last night.

"It is more than five months," he said, "since I spoke to the British Nation and the Empire on a broadcast. In war time, there is a lot to be said for the motto 'deeds not words.' All the same, it is a good thing to look round from time to time and take stock, and certainly our affairs have prospered in several directions during these last four or five months far better than most of us would have ventured to hope.

After the heavy defeats of the German Air Force by our fighters in August and September last year, Hitler did not attempt the invasion of this island, although he had need to do so, and had made vast preparations.

"Baffled in this mighty project, he sought to break the spirit of the British nation by bombing first London, and afterwards our great cities.

"It has now been proved to the admiration of the world and our friends in the United States, that this form of blackmail by murder and terrorism, so far from weakening the spirit of the British Nation, has only roused it to a more intense universal flame than was seen ever before in any modern community.

"The whole of the British Empire has been proud of the Mother country and they long to be with us over here in even larger numbers. We have been deeply conscious of the love for us which has flowed from the Dominions of the Crown across the broad ocean spaces.

"That is first of our war aims to be worthy of that love and preserve it.

Bombing Of England

"All through these dark winter months the enemy has had the power to drop three or four tons of bombs upon us for every ton we could send to Germany in return.

"We are arranging so that presently this will be rather the other way round, but, meanwhile, London and our big cities have had to stand their pounding.

"They remind me of the British squares at Waterloo. They are not squares of soldiers, they do not wear scarlet coats.

"They are just ordinary English, Scottish and Welsh folk, men, women and children standing steadfastly together but their spirit is the same, their glory is the same and in the end their victory will be greater than the famous Waterloo.

"All honour is due to the civil defence services of all kinds — emergency and regular, voluntary and professional, who have helped our people through this formidable ordeal, the like of which no civilised community has ever been called upon to undergo.

Back Of Winter

"More than two-thirds of the winter has now gone and so far we have had no serious epidemic, indeed, there has been no increase in illness, in spite of the improvised conditions in the shelters.

"That is mostly due to the local medical and sanitary authorities, to our devoted nursing staff and the Ministry of Health,

whose head, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, is now going to Canada on other important duties.

"We have broken the back of winter, daylight grows, the R.A.F. grows and is already certainly master of daylight and the air.

Sharper, But Shorter

"The attacks may be sharper but they will be shorter. There will be more opportunities for work and service of all kinds.

"So, if our first victory was the repulse of the invader, our second was the frustration of his acts of terror and torture against our people at home.

"Meanwhile, abroad, in October, a wonderful thing happened. One of the two Dictators, a cold-blooded and blackhearted Italian, who had sought to gain an empire at a cheap price by stabbing fallen France in the back, got into trouble.

"Without the slightest provocation, spurred on by the lust of power and brutish greed, Mussolini attacked and invaded Greece only to be hurled back ignominiously by the heroic Greek army who have revived before our eyes the glories that, from the classic age, have filled their native land.

Libyan Campaign

"While Mussolini was writhing and smarting under the Greek lash in Albania, Generals Wavell and Wilson who were charged with the defence of Egypt and the Suez Canal in accordance with our Treaty obligations, whose task at one time seemed so difficult, had received very powerful reinforcements of men, cannon, equipment and above all, tanks, which we had sent from our island in spite of the invasion threat and large numbers of troops from India, Australia and New Zealand had also reached them.

"There began that series of victories in Libya which have broken irretrievably Italian military power in the African continent. Here then, in Libya, is the third considerable event upon which we may feel some satisfaction."

Hazardous Adventure

After referring to the early stages of the British advance in Libya as "the most hazardous adventure," Mr. Churchill continued: "The brilliant decisive factor in Sidi Barrani with its tens of thousands of prisoners proved that we had a quality in manoeuvring power and weapons superior to the enemy who had boasted so much of his virility and military virtues.

"It was evident that all other Italian forces in eastern Libya

were in great danger. They could not easily retreat along the coastal road without running the risk of being caught in the open by our armoured divisions and brigades ranging far out into the desert in tremendous swoops. They had exposed themselves to being attacked piece-meal.

"General Wavell, nay, all our leaders of British, Australians and Indians in the Imperial Army saw their opportunity.

"At that time, I ventured to draw General Wavell's attention to the gospel of St. Matthew at the seventh verse where, as you all know, or ought to know, it is written: 'Ask and it shall be given, seek and ye shall find, knock and the door shall be opened unto you.'

"The Army of the Nile has asked and it was given. They sought and they have found. They knocked and it has been opened to them.

Model Of Military Art

"In barely eight weeks of the campaign, which should be long studied as a model of military art, an advance of over four hundred miles has been made. The whole Italian army in the East—an army reputed to exceed one hundred and fifty thousand men—have been captured or destroyed and the entire province of Cyrenaica, nearly as big as England and Wales, has been conquered.

"The unhappy Arab tribes which have suffered from brutal Italian rule have been freed. Those Bedouin survivors have at least seen their oppressors in disorderly flight or led off in endless droves as prisoners of war.

Egypt Safe

"Egypt and the Suez Canal are safe and the port, base and airfields of Benghazi constitute a strategic point of high consequence to the whole war in the Eastern Mediterranean."

Mr. Churchill proceeded to pay glowing tributes to General Wavell and other military leaders and said he had received a telegram from General Wavell saying that the success of Benghazi was due to the outstanding leadership and resolution of Generals O'Connor and Creagh, ably backed by General Wilson.

Referring to the part played by the Royal Air Force and the Navy in the battle of Libya, Mr. Churchill declared that none of the British plans could have succeeded had not the pilots wrested the control of the air from a far more numerous enemy air force.

Nor would the campaign itself have been possible if the British Mediterranean Fleet had not chased the Italian Navy into their harbours and sustained every forward surge of the army with all the flexible resources of sea power.

Genoa Shelling

Mr. Churchill continued: "How far-reaching these resources are we may now see from what happened at dawn this morning, when our Western Mediterranean Fleet under Admiral Somerville entered the Gulf of Genoa and bombarded in a shattering manner the naval base, from which a German Nazi expedition might sail to attack General Weygand in Algeria or Tunisia.

"It is right that the Italian people should be made to feel the sorry plight into which they had been led by Mussolini. "If the cannonade of Genoa,

rolling along the coast and reverberating in the mountains, has reached the ears of our French comrades in their grief and misery, it may cheer them with a feeling that friends, active friends, are near and that Britannia rules the waves.

"The events in Libya are only part of the story. They are only part of the story of the decline and fall of the Italian Empire that will not take the future Gibbon so long to write as an original work.

In East Africa

"Fifteen-hundred miles away to the South, a strong British and Indian army, having driven the invaders out of the Sudan, are marching steadily forward through the Italian Colony of Eritrea thus seeking a complete isolation of all Italian troops in Abyssinia. Other British troops are entering Abyssinia from the West while an army is gathered in Kenya in the van of which we may discern the powerful forces of South Africa, organised by General Smuts, striking northward along the whole of this enormous frontier.

Lastly, Ethiopian patriots whose independence was stolen five years ago, have risen in arms and their Emperor, so recently exiled in England, is in their midst to fight for their freedom and his throne.

"Here, then, we see the beginning of the process of reparation and the chastening of wrongdoing which reminds that though mills of God grind slowly, they grind exceedingly small."

U.S. Aid

Referring to the "mighty tide of sympathy and good-will and effective aid" which has begun to flow across the Atlantic, Mr. Churchill said to his hearers that it might be that both Mr. Wendell Willkie and Mr. Harry Hopkins would tell the truth about what they had seen over here.

More than that is not asked. "The rest we leave with good confidence to the judgment of President Roosevelt, the United States Congress, and the American people."

Balkan Unity

Turning to what he described as the more serious, darker and more dangerous aspects of the vast scene of the war, Mr. Churchill said, "We may be sure the war is soon going to enter a phase of greater violence. Hitler's confederate, Mussolini, has recoiled back in Libya, but the Germans, having absorbed Hungary and driven Rumania into frightful internal convulsions are now already on the Black Sea.

"A considerable German army and Air Force is being built up in Rumania and its forward tentacles have already penetrated Bulgaria with, we must suppose, the acquiescence of the Bulgarian Government.

The airfields are being occupied by German ground personnel, numbering thousands so as to enable the German Air Force to come into action from Bulgaria.

"Many preparations have been made for the movement of German troops into or through Bulgaria and perhaps this forward movement has already begun.

Greater Violence

"Of course," continued Mr. Churchill, "if all Balkan peoples stood together and acted together, aided by Britain and Turkey, it would be many months before the German force could be assembled in South-East Europe and in those months much might happen.

"Much will certainly happen, as American aid becomes effective and as our air power grows and as we become a well-armed nation and as our armies in the East increase in strength. Nothing more certain than, if countries in South-Eastern Europe allow themselves to be pulled to pieces, one by one, they will share the fate of Denmark, Holland and Belgium, and none can tell how long it will be before the hour of deliverance strikes.

"One of the difficulties is to convince these countries that we are going to win the war. We think it astonishing that they don't see it as clearly as ourselves.

"The Italian Quisling, called Mussolini, and the French Quisling, called Laval, are both, in different ways, trying to make their countries into vassals for Hitler and his New Order, hoping to be able to get the Nazis and the Gestapo to enforce their rule upon their fellow-countrymen.

Saying "we shall do our best to fight for the Central Mediterranean," Mr. Churchill referred to "the very significant air action over Malta a fortnight ago," and said that the Germans sent dive-bombers to Sicily which injured the aircraft-carrier *Illustrious* and, as this wounded ship was sheltering in Malta harbour, they concentrated upon it their entire force so as to beat it to pieces.

"They were attacking one of the best defended fortresses of the world against air attacks, the Fleet Air-Arm and the R.A.F. and, in two or three days, they lost out of 150 dive-bombers, upwards of ninety, 50 of which were destroyed in the air and forty on the ground.

Did Not Come Again

Although *Illustrious* in a damaged condition was one of the greatest prizes of air and naval war, the Germans accepted defeat and would not come any more! All necessary repairs were made to the *Illustrious* in Malta harbour and she steamed safely to Alexandria under her own power at 23 knots.

Mr. Churchill said he dwelt on this incident, not because it disposed of the danger in the Central Mediterranean, but in order to show that there, as elsewhere, we intended to give a good account of ourselves.

But, after all, the fate of this war may be settled by what happens on the oceans, in the air and, above all, in this island.

American Aid

It now seemed certain that the Government and people of the United States intended to supply us with everything necessary for victory.

Mr. Churchill recalled that, in the last war, the United States sent two million men across the Atlantic. But this was not a war of immense armies firing immense shells at one another. We don't need the gallant armies which are forming throughout American Union. We don't need them this year or next year or, as far as I can foresee, in any year. But we do need most urgently, an immense and continuous supply of war materials and technical apparatus of all kinds.

Dill Warning

Concluding his broadcast, the Premier referred to the warning given to him by General Dill that Hitler may be forced to try to invade the British Isles in the near future.

"We are naturally working night and day, and we are getting everything ready. We are stronger than ever before — stronger than last August and September.

I have the greatest confidence in the Commander-in-Chief at Home, General Brooke, but most of all I put my faith in the simply resolve to conquer or die which is animating and inspiring nearly four million Britons with serviceable weapons in their hands.

Words Of Caution

"It is not an easy military operation to invade Britain and to face what is waiting for the invader here.

"There is one word of caution, though, which I must give. Hitler thought that when France gave in, we should give in. We did not give in, and he had to think again.

"Any invasion now will be supported by much more carefully prepared equipment of landing craft, which he must have planned during the winter. We must all be prepared to meet gas attacks, parachute attacks and other plans which have been made with practised skill.

"The British Empire and the whole English-speaking world will be on Hitler's tracks, bearing with them the sword of justice. No sudden shock of battle will shake us and we will finish the job." — *Reuter*.

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WENDELL WILLKIE KEEPS SILENT ON FINDINGS

ABOUT 200 PEOPLE greeted Mr. Wendell Willkie as he disembarked from the Dixie Clipper at the North Beach Airport yesterday after his trip to England.

Talking to reporters immediately on alighting, Mr. Willkie said he was "very much impressed by the unity of the British people."

When asked whether he had the same conclusions on aid to Britain as before his departure from the United States, Mr. Willkie replied, "My view as how the matter should be handled has been affected and modified by what I have seen."

Mr. Willkie added that he was deferring any statement on the subject until he appears before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, probably to-morrow.

Mr. Willkie parried all questions relating to Ireland, but told reporters eagerly how he had talked with "literally thousands" of people of all classes, who commented for him without restraint.

Mr. Willkie looked tired after his strenuous adventure but appeared happy and gratified with his contact with wartime Britain for whom he repeatedly expressed his admiration.—Reuter.

'PUNISHED TOO MUCH' —FINED 1s.

Because she had been "punished too much" by being in prison three months awaiting trial, a Judge fined the German-born wife of a British soldier 1s. for a black-out offence.

The woman, Mrs. Frances Holland, of Grosvenor-place, Leeds, was facing her second trial at Leeds Assizes for the same offence. Earlier in the Assize, before Mr. Justice Cassels, the jury disagreed.

The second hearing was before Mr. Justice Tucker.

It was stated that her husband, whom she married while he was in the Army of Occupation in Germany, was now serving again as a sergeant-major and that one of her sons was in the Forces.

The prosecution said there was no suggestion that, in allowing the light to be shown, Mrs. Holland was attempting to help the enemy. The jury must not be influenced by the knowledge that she had been born in German territory.

Mr. Justice Tucker told her: "You have been punished quite enough for this offence by having been in prison three months—in fact, I think, too much. But you have been very foolish and you have only yourself to thank for that."

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CONVICTS COMBAT MALARIA

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Important work is being carried out, beyond the prison walls, by short-term prisoners of Stanley Prison.

They have been engaged in anti-malarial work at Tytam and in the newly established military areas in that neighbourhood.

Others have been sent as far afield as Cape D'Aguilar where similar work has been undertaken.

Just outside the prison walls, the prisoners have worked on two acres of land which is now producing various kinds of vegetables for prison consumption.

Inside the prison hollow concrete blocks are being produced by two concrete block-making machines newly acquired. Concrete blocks used in building A.R.P. shelters in the prison were all "locally" produced.

The two machines are capable of producing 200 concrete blocks every day.

WOUNDED NURSE RESCUED MEN

Though injured herself, a young nurse made two journeys through a wrecked and burning hospital to carry two elderly male patients to safety.

She is Miss Elizabeth Scully, twenty-three, who was alone on night duty when a hospital in London received a direct hit for the second time since the blitz.

Groping through the dust and debris, she ignored the pain of her injured ankle and cracked jokes with the patients, both of them heavy men, as she carried them to a shattered window where rescue workers helped them through.

The window was the only exit. Doors and passages were jammed with fallen masonry.

After she had seen them to safety Nurse Scully refused first-aid.

With A.F.S. men she returned to the wreckage to search for other victims.

Not until she was satisfied all were safe could she be persuaded to become a patient herself.

She was evacuated to a nearby hospital, where I met her.

"But it was nothing," she told me. "It was just what anyone would have done—my duty."

Because of the bomb that fell some weeks ago most of the patients had already been evacuated.

Those remaining, about sixty in all, were saved.

COL. DONOVAN IN CAIRO

Colonel Donovan, President Roosevelt's personal envoy, arrived in Cairo yesterday from Palestine.—Reuter.

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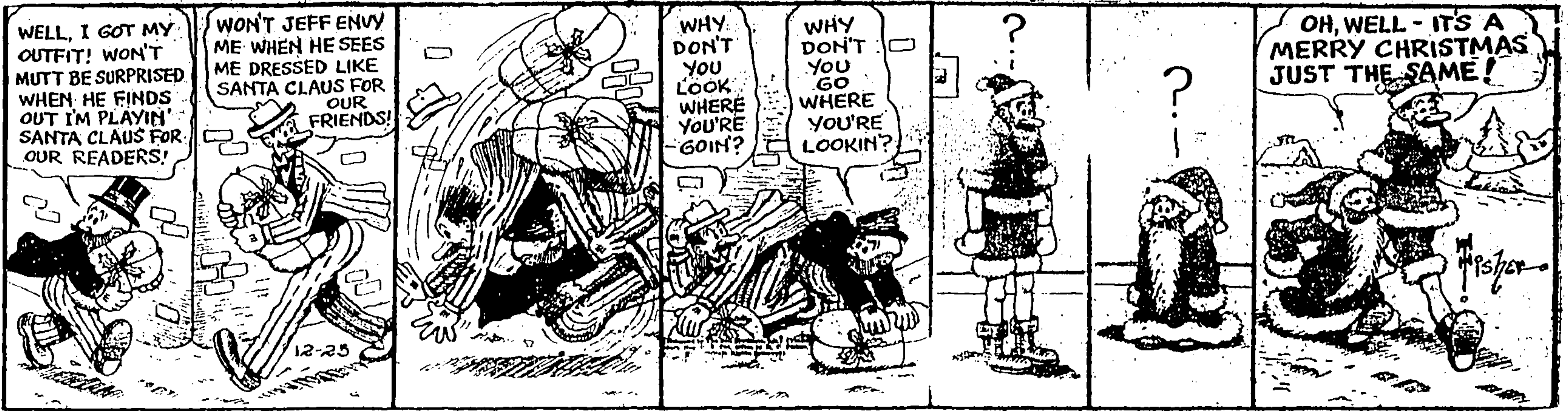
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WIFE OF 17 DENIES £100,000 SETTLEMENT OFFER BY MAN, 75

SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD Mrs. Josephine Epstein denied at Marlborough Street, London, Police Court that a Jew aged seventy-five had offered to settle £100,000 on her if she would marry him.

She was continuing her evidence at the resumed hearing against her husband, Edward Epstein, general merchant, of Maitland Court, W., whom she accused of threatening her. A further remand was ordered and bail was granted in one surety of £100.

At the last hearing she alleged her husband forced her to cultivate the acquaintance of two wealthy men one of them the Jew, to obtain money from them. Mrs. Epstein, daughter of a

jeweller, living at Alford House, Park-lane, said the Jew had given her jewellery and between £3,000 and £4,000, an expensive car and taken a furnished flat for her in Maitland Court.

Too Young For Him

Cross-examined by Mr. G. L. Hardy, she denied the proceedings were an arrangement between her and her parents to try to get rid of Mr. Epstein so that she could marry the rich Jew.

Pressed whether the Jew had expressed a desire to marry her, Mrs. Epstein hesitated and then said, "Yes."

Mr. Hardy: Did you want to marry him if you could?—No, I told him I was too young for him.

She denied misconduct with a man named Billy Richmond. She had attended Bow Street Court concerning him.

"I took off my shoe and hit him in the face with it," she added. "He had been very bad to me."

HE TAKES CLASSES TO SHELTERS

Meet the man with the most sociable job in London—Mr. Leonard Peers. He talks to 11,000 people a week.

Mr. Peers, founder of the London Appreciation Club, used to lecture to L.C.C. Evening Institute Classes. Soon after the "blitz" started, Mr. Peers decided that if the shelters couldn't come to the classes, he would take the classes to the shelters.

Gathering an A.R.P. helmet and a portable film equipment, with films made by himself in various parts of the world, he journeyed from shelter to shelter in various parts of the capital.

He has continued to do this for five or six nights each week since the beginning of October.

In Strange Places

Most of Mr. Peers's lectures are travel talks. He finds appreciation fairly general, but culture is often in strange places.

For example, he told of supposedly educated people who had hardly the haziest knowledge of even the names, let alone the situation of European capitals, but a carpenter, who had enjoyed the minimum of educational facilities, spoke five languages with considerable fluency and an excellent accent.

"He told me he had saved money for a few hiking trips abroad and had attended evening classes. He had a natural taste for languages," said Mr. Peers.

Most delightful part of Mr. Peers's experience is the high degree of friendliness, courage and generosity of ordinary Londoners.

WEDDING DAY HITCH

Mrs. Barbara Lucy Thomas, who was to have married Second Lieutenant the Hon. Peter Aitken, second son of Lord Beaverbrook, spent the week-end at an hotel in Woking.

The wedding was arranged for 11 a.m. at Chelsea register office. One guest, the superintendent registrar, and the registrar of marriages waited until the afternoon. Neither the bride nor the bridegroom turned up.

A reporter traced Mrs. Thomas to an hotel in Woking.

She refused to say whether the wedding had been postponed or was definitely broken off. Nor would she tell who was responsible for its not taking place.

The night before the wedding, Mr. Aitken and Mrs. Thomas were driving near Bromley, Kent. Their car was involved in a slight accident there.

Mrs. Thomas, who is thirty, was formerly the wife of Mr. Albert Llewellyn Thomas, a dance band musician. He was granted a divorce in January this year after proceedings in which Mr. Aitken was cited as co-respondent.

Mr. Aitken, who was described in the licence as a Second Lieutenant, Royal Fusiliers, is twenty-nine. His former wife, the Hon. Mrs. Janet Murrays Aitken, formerly Miss MacNeill, was granted a divorce in June, 1936.

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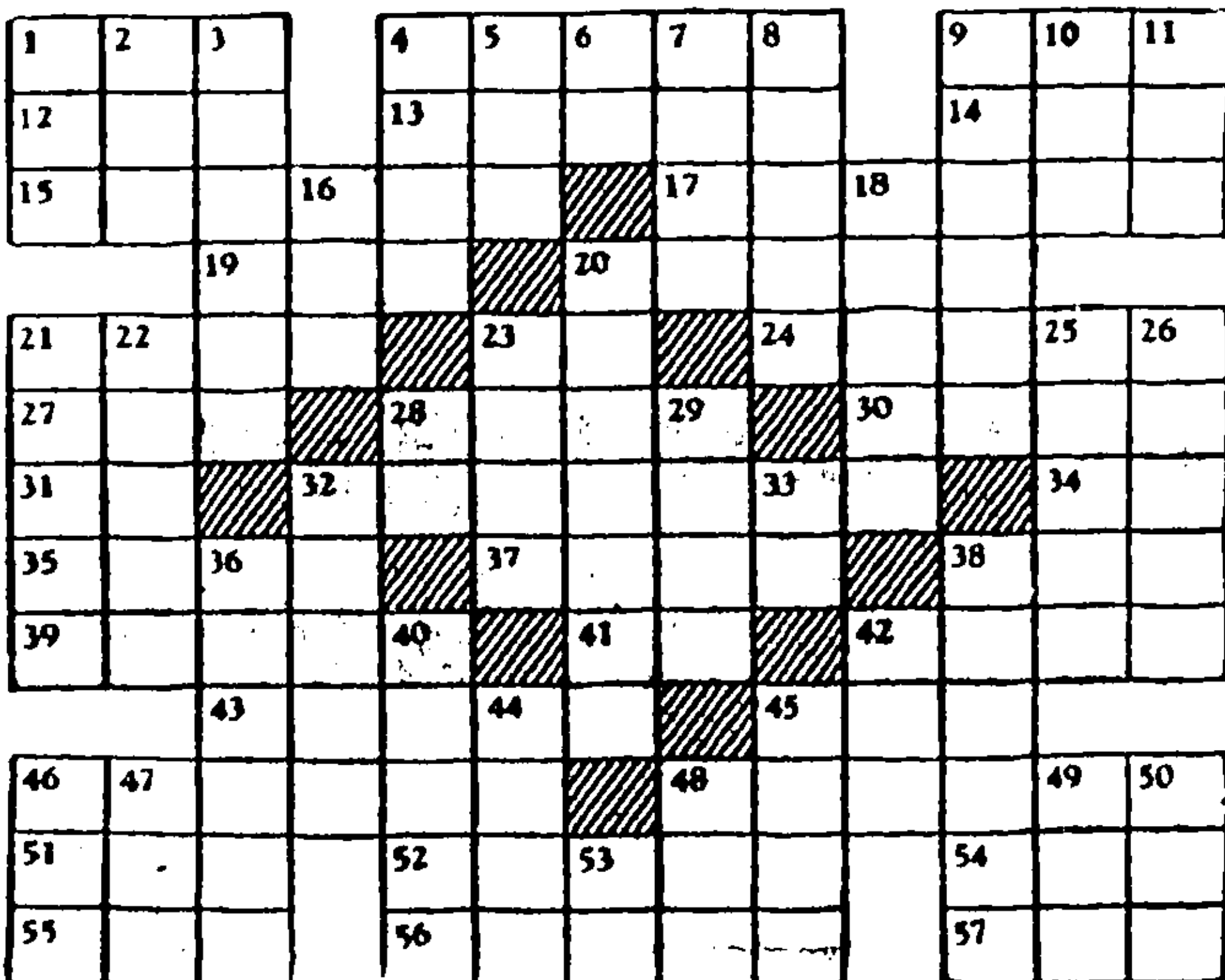
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- 12 Girl's name
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- 17 Sensitive
- 18 To yield
- 20 City in Switzerland
- 21 Physiology
- 23 Land measure
- 24 To furnish
- 27 Ember
- 28 Inlets
- 30 Pertaining to aeroplanes
- 31 Preposition
- 32 Witty person
- 34 Pronoun
- 35 To deal in
- 37 Glacial ridges
- 38 Meadow
- 39 Food, fish
- 41 Symbol for Iridium
- 42 Furnace
- 43 To make amends

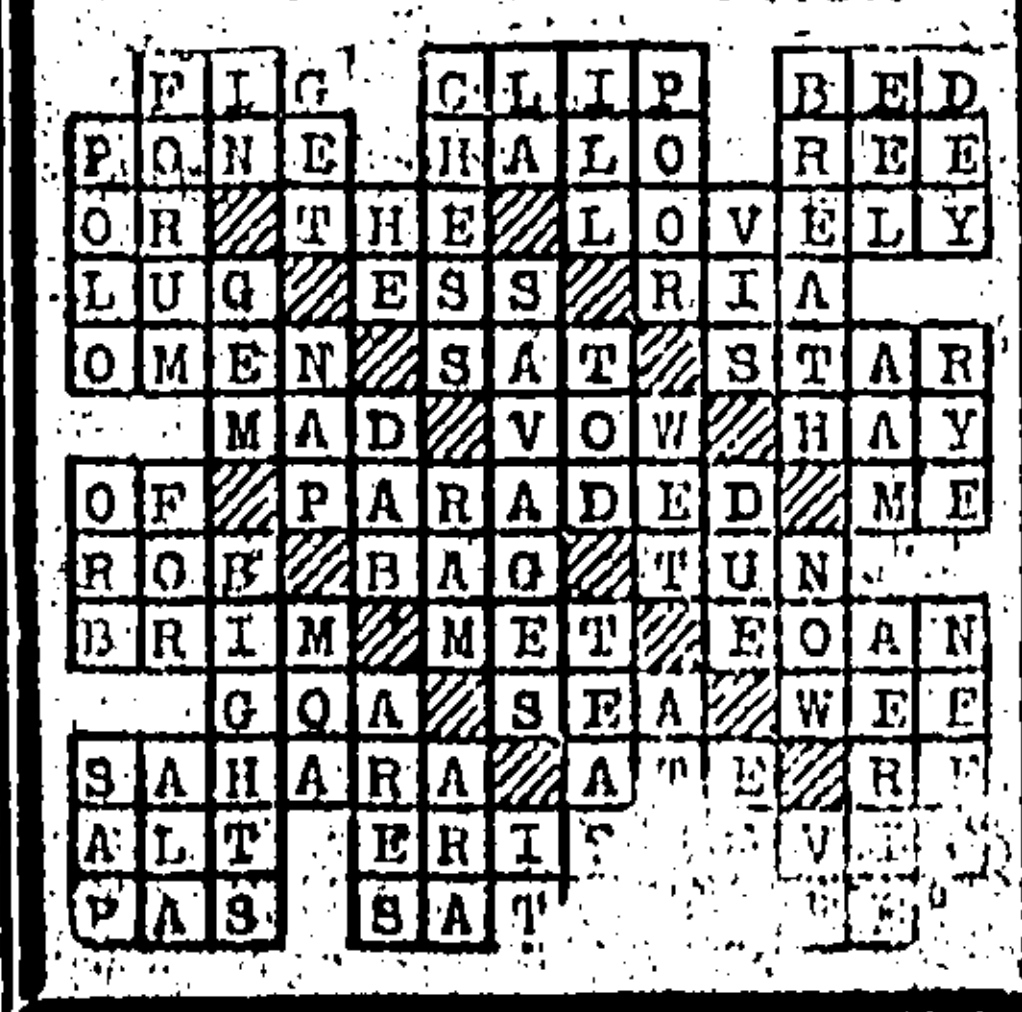
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- 3 Abdomen
- 4 Diplomacy
- 5 Colour
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- 7 Bristle
- 8 Eaten away
- 9 To agree
- 10 Cheer
- 11 Some
- 16 By birth

VERTICAL

- 18 Pertaining to a bone of the arm
- 20 Golf club
- 21 Opera by Gounod
- 22 Turkish unit of money
- 23 Japanese aborigine
- 25 Bay window
- 26 Chief Norse god
- 28 Symbol for ruthenium
- 29 Heavenly body
- 32 God of the underworld
- 33 Comparative ending
- 36 Shaped masses
- 38 Flowerless plant
- 40 Evidence
- 42 Outfit
- 44 Roman emperor
- 45 To cloy
- 46 Babylonian war god
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DAWN TRYST HONOURS DEAD SAILOR

EACH DAY AT DAWN British residents in Buenos Ayres plant fifteen Union Jacks on the grave of a 21-year-old British gunner who died from wounds received in the glorious Battle of the River Plate.

Each dawn, too, fresh gladioli are laid over the deep bed of ivy which covers the grave.

And as dusk falls there is a simple ceremony before these tributes to the heroism of Britain's seamen are put in safe keeping.

The grave is that of Gunner James Thomas Frederick, who fought on the cruiser Exeter when, with the cruisers Ajax and Achilles, she crippled the pocket-battleship Graf Spee.

Gunner Frederick died in the British hospital in Buenos Ayres. Now his grave is to become the permanent memorial to the British seamen killed in the action.

A special stone, commemorating the names of his dead comrades, is to be set at the head of that ivy-covered grave.

And an account of the action which ended in the scuttling of the German warship will be cut under the roll of honour.

Gunner Frederick was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Frederick, of Canton, Cardiff.

BRITAIN'S SHIPS OF FUTURE

(By A Correspondent)

Ships of the future may be built of aluminium and navalium — an alloy containing a preponderance of aluminium — especially if a cheaper method of extracting aluminium from clay can be found.

Even if navalium were to cost three times the price of steel, I am informed, future ships would be built with the alloy, as the structural savings would be enormous owing to its lightness. Already, aluminium is being used more and more in ship construction.

In a cruiser as much as 200 tons may be saved in weight by the substitution of aluminium alloy for brass or sheet steel in many parts of the ship which do not have to resist stress.

Pioneer Work

The British shipbuilding industry has done pioneer work in the use of aluminium.

Several small vessels of the yacht type have been constructed of aluminium alloy with satisfactory results.

The alloy, however, has never been used in the main structural parts of ships other than those of the smallest size.

In merchant ship construction, the most extensive use of the alloy so far has been in the building of the deck-houses of the Norwegian motor-ship Fern-

SPITFIRE RAMS A BOMBER

A Spitfire rammed a Heinkel heavy bomber in mid-air during an enemy raid over a south-east town. The Spitfire tore off one of the Heinkel's wings and both machines crashed out of control. The four men of the bomber crew and the Spitfire pilot were killed.

The plane came down at Buckland, midway between Sittingbourne and Faversham, Kent.

There was a burst of flames as the machines crashed, and as firemen ran towards them, bombs exploded and killed one of them. Another fireman was injured and died later.

When the raider suddenly appeared from the clouds over the town, it was immediately attacked by Spitfires and made off with three of our fighters rapidly overhauling it.

All three fighters were able to get in bursts of machine-gun fire as the raider raced for safety.

The last to attack was a sergeant-pilot. He came up, overtaking at high speed, from directly astern.

His fellow-pilots saw his Spitfire fly straight into the Heinkel and both aircraft crashed in flames.

Fireman P. Nash, of the Sittingbourne A.F.S., told a reporter: "I saw the Heinkel turn and make tracks towards the coast, and then three of our fighters appeared from nowhere full speed after it."

"One of them dropped down from above the bomber and flew straight into his wing. It was a glorious act. I saw the wing leave the plane, and what was left of the Heinkel fell locked with our fighter."

The fireman who was killed was Second Officer A. T. Beaumont, of the Faversham Brigade. Leading Fireman C. S. Davey, of Faversham A.F.S., died shortly after admission to hospital.

plant, where a saving of 30 tons was effected.

NAZIS SHORT OF WAGONS

Nazi Germany is experiencing acute transport difficulties because of a vital shortage of railway wagons. This is revealed in reports reaching Britain.

Railway freight transport depends almost entirely on wagons, and any severe shortage will mean not only a desperate situation for war transport, but also the hold-up, or complete stoppage, of work in factories.

Unlike British Railways, the Reichsbahn has been neglected and starved of renewals ever since the Nazi party came to power.

Acute Shortage

Shortly before the war it was stated officially in Germany that £300,000,000 would have to be spent to bring the Reichsbahn up to date.

The results of this neglect and the overloading of German railways through the demands of the tremendous Nazi war machine are now beginning to show themselves in accidents and broken-down railway wagons.

In fact, the shortage of wagons, which is one of the most important features of railway transport in war time, has now become critical in Germany.

Every device is being employed by the Reich Minister of Transport to conserve and obtain the maximum use of railway wagons. According to Nazi newspaper reports, the long-distance transport of certain commodities, such as bread, milk, beer and building materials, is being restricted or even forbidden.

"Germany's wagon problem may have an important effect on her whole war effort," said a British railway official.

"The situation should act as a warning to traders in this country to keep our factories going at top pressure," added the official.

IRAQ'S POLICY

IRAQ'S BEST POLICY IS TO KEEP OUT OF THE WAR, SAID THE NEW IRAQI PRIME MINISTER, GENERAL TAHA EL HASIMI PASHA, ADDRESSING THE IRAQI PARLIAMENT YESTERDAY AT BAGHDAD.

The Prime Minister added: "Our ally, Britain, has not submitted any demands which would involve us in the war. The Government intends to strengthen its friendship with our British ally. That friendship is based on mutual interest."—Reuters.

10,000 MEN ARE NOW CLEARING UP LONDON

(By A CORRESPONDENT)

TEN THOUSAND MEN are tackling the job of clearing away the debris of the bombed areas of London, filling in craters and repairing damage to utility services.

Major-General G. B. O. Taylor is in charge of the military organisation of the work. Royal Engineers, Pioneer Corps groups, and Army transport units are all on the job.

Work goes on seven days a week, and if it is urgent all through the night. Tarpaulins are spread over the site to comply with the black-out.

In a main street where a bomb had dropped in the middle of the roadway I saw a temporary bridge Royal Engineers had made to carry traffic while men below laid a new main. In another area, where a bomb damaged a gas main at the junction of two roads, the R.E.s in two days had laid another pipe on the surface to bypass the broken one while men below were replacing the underground connection.

Skilled Men

Twelve companies of Royal Engineers are now at work on fifty jobs in London. A few hundred men have been brought from Sheffield, Leeds, Barnsley, Birmingham and Glasgow, specially picked for their skill in laying mains.

Another 3,000 will soon be added to the 10,000 men now busy in the bombed areas, and arrangements are being made for the intensive training of a number in specialist work such as the repair of gas, water and electricity mains.

General Taylor is satisfied with the way the job is being done. He is a tall, bespectacled man with a gentle manner and quiet voice. He is Inspector of Fortifications and Director of Bomb Disposal.

Talking of his task, he said the first job was to bring back to London engineer companies who had been with London firms of contractors. They had originally been formed for work overseas.

General Taylor said he did not think that at the moment they could usefully bring many more men to London. "There are bottle-necks," he pointed out. "You cannot go on at a faster pace than you can clear away."

CHINA MAIL
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THE BLACKMAILER

It was announced in London the other day that the British government had agreed at the "personal request" of President Roosevelt, to pass food and clothing for children in unoccupied France, provided that it was distributed under the direct supervision of the American Red Cross. So safeguarded, this is not an unreasonable arrangement. In so far as the American supplies can be substituted for what would otherwise have to be allotted to the French children, they provide the Nazis with just that much additional resources wherewith to blow British children out of their beds, to prolong the horrors of the Polish pogroms, to blast Greek peasants into fragments and to carry on all the other cultural activities of the Axis. Because the issue is preliminarily one of humanitarianism, one cannot neglect the essential human factors involved.

Happily, however, they are unlikely to bulk large under this particular plan. With Red Cross supervision, it seems probable that whatever supplies are sent will not only reach the children for whom they are intended, but will in the main be a supplement to rather than a substitute for what the children are now receiving. Carefully limited as it is, the arrangement does, in fact, appear to offer a means for getting a maximum amount of relief to the most poignant victims of the Nazi terror while affording a minimum of aid toward the prolongation and intensification of the terror itself. If all the large, loose, sentimental schemes for "feeding Europe" had been conceived with an equal care and an equally realistic appreciation of the factors involved, they might have accomplished far more in terms of actual human welfare than they have accomplished.

Here is a plan within the realm of the practical and the genuinely humane, and Britain has acceded to it. Perhaps it is no more than any civilised government would have done. But one cannot help noting that Britain, in affording this relief to French children, is asking nothing in return. Our own children are being bombed and blasted, mangled physically and mentally. Britain might well insist on making the price of help for

It Takes Months To Train A Pilot

By William Gibbons

It was once said to me that our pilots had a "superiority complex" when they went up either to tackle Nazi raiders or go off on bombing expeditions. Machine for machine, it was a fairly even match! but man for man, the British pilot had a decided pull. I asked the reason for this. "Because our boys have a much more thorough schooling," I was told. I accepted that explanation. And now, having watched some of these boys being put through the mill, I am quite convinced.

Only a few hours at an R.A.F. training school sufficed to show me how much hard work has to be done by these potential pilots before they earn their coveted wings. From the time they get into uniform and are taught the rudiments of flying to the stage when they have graduated, it is one long cramming.

It isn't just the knowledge of flying that an R.A.F. pilot must acquire. That would be relatively simple. No, he must learn the whole alphabet of aeronautics and the thousand-and-one details involved.

A Stiff Course

His training extends over a period of eight months. The novice has to pass through a stiff curriculum before he becomes a qualified pilot.

Having passed his medical test, he is posted to an initial training wing, where for eight weeks he is drilled into a fit man and attends lectures—but no flying. When he leaves he feels he is cut out for the job.

So, on to the Elementary Flying School, where he puts in 50 hours. His bent is soon discovered by the instructors, and he is graded either as a fighter or bomber pilot—or a failure, in which case he has an opportunity of going into another section of the Service.

Thus far, he has learned sim-

ply flying in a single-engine plane, and he advances to the Intermediate Training Squadron. It is here that he undergoes the most vital training over a period of many weeks. They are weeks of full hours, a revival of school class-room days that mean matriculation to the next and highest college of R.A.F. preparation.

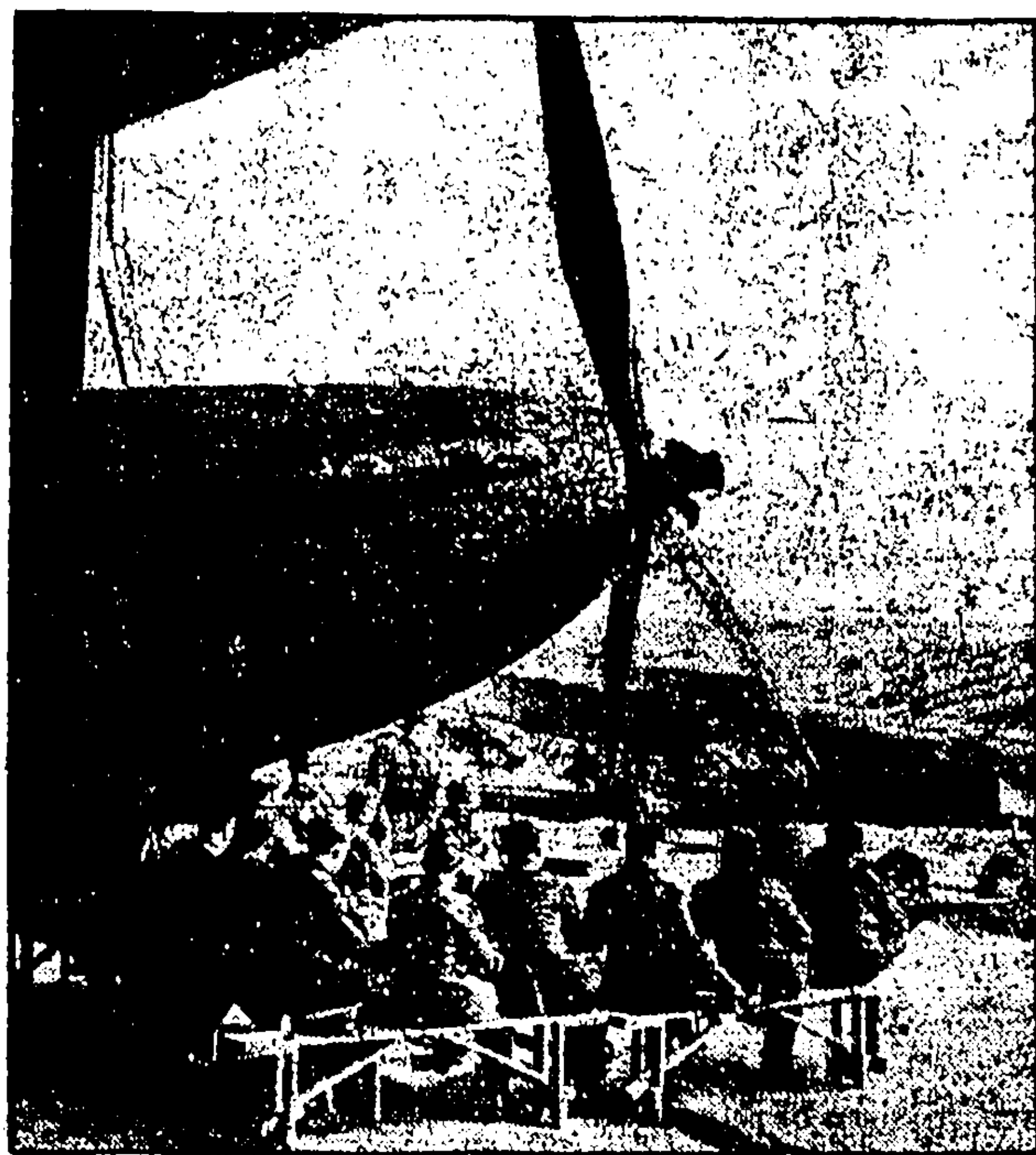
The twin-engine plane is mastered, and the airman, now virtually a qualified pilot, goes on to the Operational Training Unit for his final instructions to familiarise

himself with the particular bomber plane he is to fly.

First Lessons

Yes, simple it may seem. But what does it all entail? Before the aspiring airman is admitted to the Service he has to go through a stiff medical examination. Nerve tests are carried out—sharp raps with a hammer on nerve centres in the legs, arms and stomach.

Now to the real business. Or is it? The Initial Training Wing may be a little boring to any but the most enthusiastic student.



PRACTICAL LESSON for our airmen—a class in progress at an R.A.F. training school.

There's no flying; no excitement about it.

Comes the next stage when the men have their first taste of flying in light service aircraft, lectures on simple navigation, airmanship, engines, and theory of flight. That, of course, embraces the mastery of the controls—rudder and "joy stick."

It is the combination of these controls that is an important part of the teaching.

The first lessons learned, the pilot goes to the Intermediate Training Squadron, where he meets a twin-engine plane for the first time. He must polish up his airmanship, "road" manners in the air, and learn how to get the best out of his craft, which alone forms a distinct study.

Then there's night flying. He must know how to request permission to land, and how to do it, and what to do in the case of forced landings. There are the principles of reconnaissance work, bombing, the use of machine-guns, and meteorology, in addition to the highly complex subject of navigation.

One of the most interesting "teachers" I saw at this school was the link trainer, in which the pupil has ten hours blind flying and blind landings. The size of a small car, with wings and rudder, the link trainer, is static, with all the controls and instruments of an aeroplane.

Tricky Controls

The pupil is thus taught by instruments how to fly blind. He sits in the cockpit and operates the controls as he would in the air.

If the "joy stick" is pulled too far back, the speed indicator will fall until the speed at which the plane would stall is reached. And if the rudder is incorrectly moved, the instruments will show that the "plane" is in a spin!

The "course" of the pupil is recorded on a chart by an instrument coupled electrically to the "plane," and this reacts to any operation made by the pilot. All the time the instructor is in communication with the airman by microphone.

Bombing calls for a high note of accuracy, and the airman has an opportunity of attaining this through the medium of the bomb-sighting apparatus. As you probably know, when bombs are dropped from a height of, say, 10,000 feet, they are not released when the plane is directly over the target, or they'd miss it. The speed of the aircraft and the wind must come into the reckoning, and here the all-important bomb sights come into it.

The pupil has a sight in a dark room at the training squadron, arranged over a movable map, and on the instructions of his teacher he "drops" a bomb on a target, and a small light records the hit, or miss, as the case may be. Altogether, the pilot has 20 hours of this ground instruction before he bombs from the air, and here again he has no mis-

Ready For Battle

There are several courses in navigation in the air. The first is a light across-country, solo, to an aerodrome 100 miles away and back; the second a cross-country triangular flight of 200 miles, with the pilot steering the course and the navigator directing him; the third is the same as the first, except that at least 250 miles are covered; the fourth, a skeleton map flight of 200 miles over a triangular course, and the fifth the same as the fourth, but of 300 miles.

Meantime, the pilot has put in arduous practice—25 rounds at range, firing a camera and cine-gun, not bullets!—formation flying, which demands intense concentration, as you can well imagine, learning the construction and maintenance of his aircraft, studying meteorology, so that he may be able to anticipate weather changes, radio telephony, and signalling.

By now he is the proud possessor of his wings, and ready for the final phase of his training. At the Operational Training Unit, he has to undergo advanced bombing and gunnery instruction, and accustom himself to the type of plane he is going to fly in battle—the culmination of months' intensive study and schooling.

Can Italy Feed Her People?

WHILE recent food restrictions will not cause the Italians to die from hunger, nevertheless they are sufficient to make life uncomfortable.

What is the truth behind this newspaper report?

Two months before the war broke out I walked on foot through Northern Italy. Let me record what I saw, compare it with the few facts that have since leaked through to our Press, and try to draw an accurate, balanced conclusion.

To begin with, much of the land is divided into very small holdings farmed by a single family. From such households all the available young manhood was already in uniform as long ago as June, 1939, lounging at every corner, and is now actively

engaged on foreign service.

Fertile Land

The soil is cultivated by old women, old men, young boys and children from the early ages of eight and nine.

And the hours they work?

Well, we were on the road at five o'clock in the morning to evade the midday sun; we passed

By K.R. Walford

girls already singing in the fields. We swung our packs in the late evening: old women, old men and children were everywhere at work.

And the land itself? The implements and stock?

Owing to a system of small agricultural credits, which has flourished for 30 years, the land had been scientifically developed and is consequently very fertile. Mainly divided into small plots, every inch is frugally cultivated.

Beneath the abundant fruit trees flourish rows of vegetables, leguminous crops and small fruit; not a foot is left untended. High up the steep Ligurian mountains, plateau upon plateau of olive groves are carved from the dour hillsides.

But the instruments are very crude: hand tools, single ploughs, light, mule-drawn carts; very little large-scale machinery.

And the animals are poorer still. The inevitable goat seems always raptaciously hungry, the ribs of the draught mule stark through its hide as it is flayed to sweet more energy, where horses and cows flourish on the occasionally larger farms their condition varies, but seldom can they be said to bloom; and every blade of grass is eaten flat.

That is the picture that meets the traveller on foot. Hardship, hard fare and hard work such as England has not seen in this generation.

Wheat, beans and olive oil are the staple home-grown foods of Italy. It is part of Fascist autarky to make the country self-sup-

porting through these three forms of carbohydrate, protein and fat.

Three years ago the wheat crop was inadequate to produce good bread, which was consequently diluted with corn flour, making it heavy and indigestible, though it must be admitted that it gave a sense of repletion!

In the winter of 1938-1939 one of the major defeats of Mussolini's regime was on this question of bread, when riots among the population forced the Government to improve its quality. But it was still bad in the summer of 1939, and the present "war loaf" consists of a mixture of corn, rice and maize flour. As a result diseases of malnutrition and epidemics of typhoid are indirectly referred to by the present Italian Press through paragraphs of advice on their treatment. So much for wheat.

Little Meat

A new hardship has been added this winter. Authoritative reports inform us that the olive oil crop this year has been a remarkably poor one. Not only are both oil and its substitutes now rationed, but the price has increased from six to fourteen lire a quart, thus placing it beyond the reach of quite a large percentage of the population. It seems safe to assume that a diet of at least a part of the working people will be deficient in fat this winter.

The only crops that seem to hold their own, both in quantity and quality, are the leguminous plants, beans and peas. These will probably provide Italy's chief protein this winter.

In the last war, the major Italian defeat, the battle of Caporetto, was lost not through inferior military prowess, but because the soldiers were suffering from a deficiency of vitamins, and therefore had "no stomach for the fight."

But the civil population, as well as an army, works "on its stomach." Unless by military conquest the Italian armies can reinforce the food front at home, those old men, women and children that compose her agricultural population will either be unable to carry on or may spring a surprise on the world.

French children free and safe passage, for example, of British children to America. But it never occurs to anybody to suggest that some such arrangement should be made a part of the plan. It never even enters one's head that Britain might use the kind of blackmail in human misery which the Nazis have brought to a high art. So every one busies himself in plans to pay off the Nazi blackmailer, meanwhile letting the Nazi bombs fall where they may on those too old-fashioned to resort to such methods.

In Hitler's infinite perception that ordinarily decent people would react in this way lies a chief reason for his successes.

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NAZIS MAY BE PLANNING AN INVASION COUP

A STATEMENT BY GEN. KABISCH IN THE "KOELNISCHE ZEITUNG," EMPHASISED THE VIEW THAT THE WAR COULD BE WON FOR GERMANY ONLY BY THE GERMAN ARMY, AND DISCOUNTED THE ULTIMATE POWER OF THE AIR FORCE.

This remark is of the greatest importance at the present time because it comes just when that part of the year is approaching when the weather ordinarily interferes most with air operations.

It may be that the Germans, finding their air force incapable of piercing the Royal Air Force defences or of shutting down our aerodromes, are turning to the possibilities of invasion without air preparation.

It would be a daring plan and in sharp contrast to Nazi war doctrine as revealed hitherto.

Though it seems at first sight to be unlikely, the possibility must be envisaged that the German command, having found the Luftwaffe unable to overcome the Royal Air Force, may make an invasion attempt at a time when air operations on both sides are sharply restricted by weather.

Dense Fog

In commercial aviation the weather has often been known to shut down flying for three and four days on end. At such a time when there is dense fog, the Royal Air Force could play little or no part in destroying invading troops. The operation would become one between armies and navies.

Only naval and military specialists can say whether such a plan is workable. But both sides must be well aware of the limitations placed upon air support during dense fog.

It is true that directly the weather cleared the Royal Air Force would at once come into action again on the fullest scale; but the Germans have a strong belief that their troops, once well installed at a point, can hold on in face of the heaviest air bombardment.

The lesson of the Royal Air Force bombings of Stavanger must not be lightly dismissed. Here German troops dug themselves in and in spite of frequent and exceedingly heavy bombing, they stayed there. Moreover, every time our pilots went out and blew the runways to bits, the Germans turned to repairing them at high speed.

Reckless Scheme

When disciplined and tough troops are dug in at a point,

they are difficult to shift by aerial bombardment alone. It is a point that might influence the German command in some reckless and revolutionary scheme of invasion without air support.

The aim might be to rush the defences under cover of fog and mist and to hope that key points might be seized and anti-aircraft guns installed in time to enable them to be held against the aerial bombardment which would begin directly the weather cleared.

It is, of course, clear that such an attempt would be breaking all the tactical rules; but the Germans have shown themselves completely uninfluenced by historical theory in their movements.

IT KEEPS THEM OCCUPIED

"Rules of Conduct" are being circulated secretly among people in occupied France.

Here are some of them: "If a shop displays a sign 'German spoken here,' buy your groceries elsewhere."

"If there is a curfew for 11 p.m., do not worry. You can go home and listen to the English broadcast."

"Do not fear the noisy German. His boots and spurs betray his presence. But beware of the quiet civilian Nazi who

THE MOST PERILOUS JOB IN THE AIR

Launching torpedo attacks from seaplanes or aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm is one of the most hazardous and exacting jobs a pilot can be called on to undertake.

It calls for special training, quite apart from bombing training, and courage of the highest order.

The pilots of the torpedo-carrying aircraft who raided Taranto knew they would meet with the toughest opposition possible.

A pilot about to launch a torpedo attack must be totally oblivious to what is going on around him in the form of defence. A split-second of miscalculation would result in the torpedo nose-diving to the bottom of the sea. The pilot might have to come down to 150ft.

The greatest difficulty lies in being able to get down low enough to achieve the shallow angle necessary to launch the torpedo successfully. Once it is released from the plane the torpedo operates on the same principle as torpedoes released from destroyers and submarines.

The death-dealing Swordfish planes would probably come in over Taranto at 10,000ft., drop flares to illuminate their targets, then come down in a steep dive.

The torpedoes would be released at varying heights of from 500ft. to 150ft. in the fraction of a second that the aircraft were on an even keel after their dive.

Installs himself in the flat above you with his wife and family."

Finally, this appears:

"This document cannot be bought. Copy it out and pass it on to your friends — this is a good occupation for occupied Frenchmen."

DIAMONDS BOOM AS WELL-TO-DO GO TO GROUND

(By A LONDON REPORTER)

MILLIONS OF POUNDS are being invested in diamonds by wealthy people in this country anxious to lock up their riches during the war, and so retain its value and balance afterwards.

That, in short, explains the diamond boom of recent months.

Hatton Garden, Mecca of this international "currency," has not experienced such transactions before. Since the Government imposed its ban on all big jewellery leaving the country they have been the highspots of financial bargaining.

War and extensive investment—it cannot be called speculation—are concomitant. It happened in 1914-18, though not on such a big scale as to-day; and it will continue while the diamond rules the international market.

The magnitude of this buying is shown by the fact that in the vaults of one London safe deposit company, which was bombed recently, diamonds to the value of several million pounds had been lodged.

One merchant alone had a deposit of diamonds for clients amounting to £250,000.

There are obvious reasons why people are buying small cut brilliants rather than sapphires, emeralds, rubies, antiques, pictures and postage stamps. The diamond is imperishable—in these days probably the most important factor;

it represents a fortune in infinitesimal space; it retains an international value and so is one of the safest investments.

All Safe

The risk of damage is negligible. I saw the wrecked premises of this safe deposit company, and in the midst of the debris and broken masonry were still intact the vaults and safes housing this vast fortune in diamonds.

There are, of course, big sales of other jewellery at well-known auction rooms. The last several days' sales of various jewellery at Christie's realised more than £70,000.

But are the rich pulling their weight in the nation's war effort? "No," says one diamond merchant to whom I spoke. "Their first duty is to the country, and their money should be invested in war savings."

"True, the diamond is a British product, and we are exporting to Canada, America, Australia, and India, but the cash of wealthy individuals should be going into the nation's war purse rather than into the vaults."

EFFECTS OF BOMB BLAST

Work which has been undertaken by the Research and Experiments Department of the Ministry of Home Security and observation of the damage done during air raids have shown that the danger arising from flying glass is considerable. While flying fragments of glass have not caused many deaths they have been responsible for a large proportion of the injuries reported when bombs have fallen among houses, and, as Lord Woolton has pointed out, for serious damage to food stocks.

Experience has proved that the blast of a bomb falling within 200ft may burst windows and cause a hail of broken glass driving dangerlike pieces into walls or even into tins containing food. Curtains and blinds will do very little to stop flying glass, though they may do something. Blocking up a window with a brick wall or sandbagging will not save glass unless the window is so completely blocked up as to be practically airtight. A strong black-out screen covered with building board, plywood, or thick cardboard gives good protection.

Materials stuck on glass have proved effective in preventing fragments flying, though they do not prevent windows from being broken. The cheapest and simplest material to use is cotton or linen fabric stuck all over the glass with paperhanger's paste. Net curtain materials are also very good. Brown paper works well, but it must be tough and thick.

Flying Glass

Bracing devices to strengthen windows and so reduce the chance of their breaking have been tested, but it has not been found that any of them gives any appreciable increase in the resistance of the glass to blast from bombs. Plate glass windows 3-16in. thick or more, which are usually those of shop fronts, restaurants, and hotels, are prone to damage by blast because of their large areas, and the protection of the interior lit by the window is desirable. Small panes of plate glass are relatively strong but may fail by the frame breaking.

When a bomb explodes the direct pressure of the blast may force in the window, or the suction following the pressure pulse may pull it outwards. At greater distances reflections of the shock-wave may start strong vibrations in a window which happens to have the same natural frequency. Such a window may break when others close by are unharmed.

The minimum distance from an explosion at which plate glass will escape damage cannot be predicted, but within 200ft. its chance of survival is small. Beyond that distance the chance depends on facts which include the size and the thickness of the pane, the frame fixing, the size of the bomb and the method of detonation, and, in particular, the reflection of the blast wave from adjacent buildings. The last factor is chiefly responsible for the apparently freakish fracture of windows.

When a pane breaks under severe blast, pieces may be scattered violently. It is not possible to foretell whether the pieces will fly inwards or outwards. When a pane breaks under distant blast, pieces generally fall inside and outside within a few feet.

It is desirable to fasten doors wide open during air raids and generally to open windows. On the general question whether windows, which are open, are less likely to be shattered than those which are closed much depends on the type of window, but as a rule the open window is less likely to suffer damage.

SERVICES IN THE DARK

In an attempt to defeat the black-out, which, last winter, cut his Sunday even-song congregations by more than a half, the Rector of Bridport, Canon Lindsay Bartlett, is continuing to hold the services at the usual time in a darkened church.

Instead of following the service from hymn books and prayer books the congregation will be led by lantern slides flashed on to a screen in the chancel.

"I hope by means of the lantern slide services to keep my congregation together and hold the service at six o'clock through the winter months," said the Canon. Hymns, anthems and prayers will all be shown on the screen from glass slides, and all lights in the church will be extinguished.

BRITAIN CAN BEAT BOMBS

Sir Cecil M. Weir, an executive member of the Export Council of the Board of Trade, said at Lincoln:

"We cannot go through the

CLEMENTI FAMILY TRAGEDY

A death and a wedding within 24 hours in the family of Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi are announced.

Their only son, Flying Officer C. M. Clementi, has married Miss Susan Pelham, youngest daughter of Sir Henry and Lady Pelham, of Westerham, Kent.

The day before the wedding, their youngest daughter, Miss Cecily Joyce Clementi, died in Park Prewett Hospital, near Basingstoke.

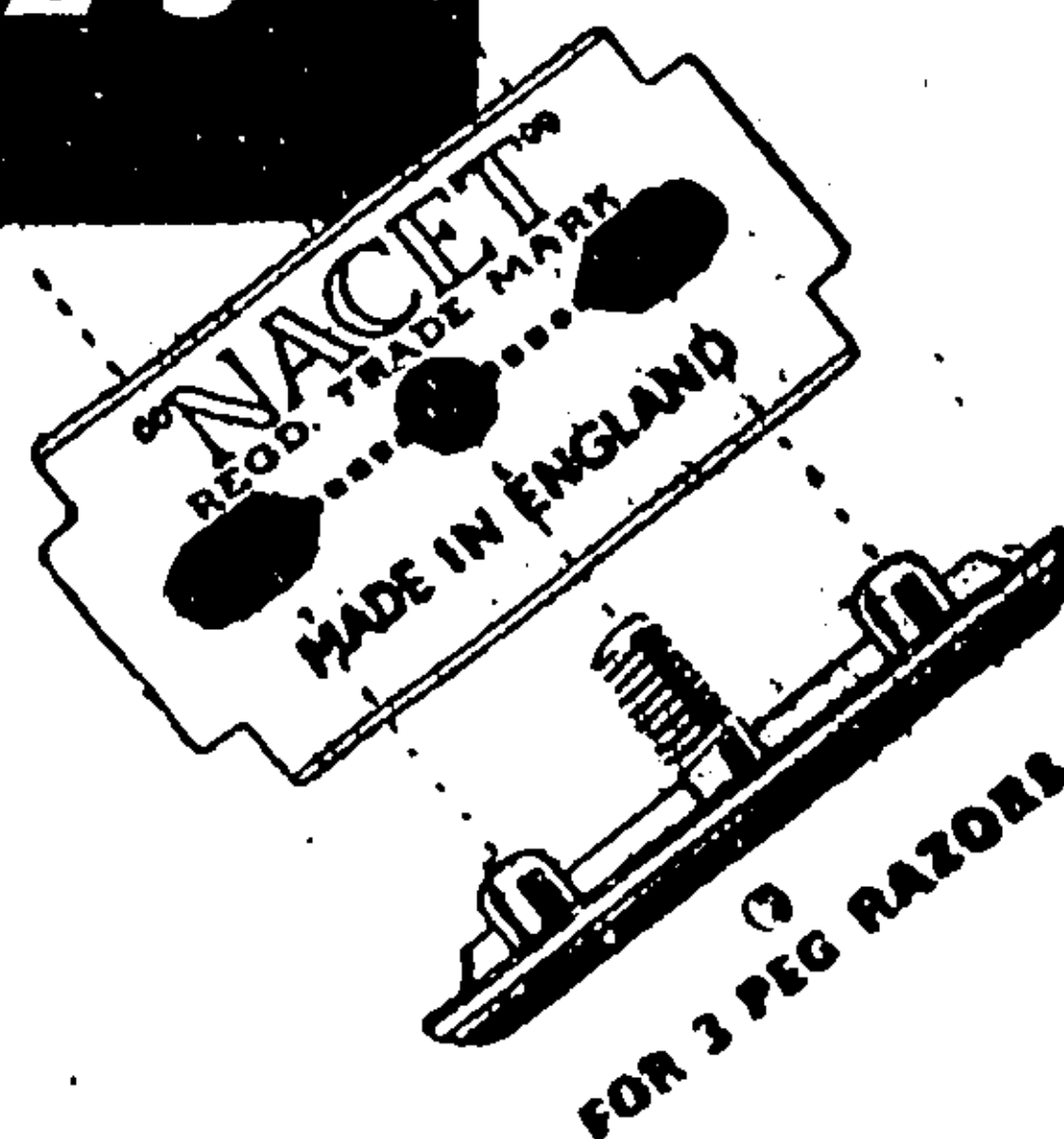
Sir Cecil, who lives at Helmer Green, Bucks., is a former governor of Hong Kong, former Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Straits Settlements and former High Commissioner for the Malay States.

bombing experiences of the past few months without some loss of production in certain areas, but so far that loss has been far less than might have been supposed.

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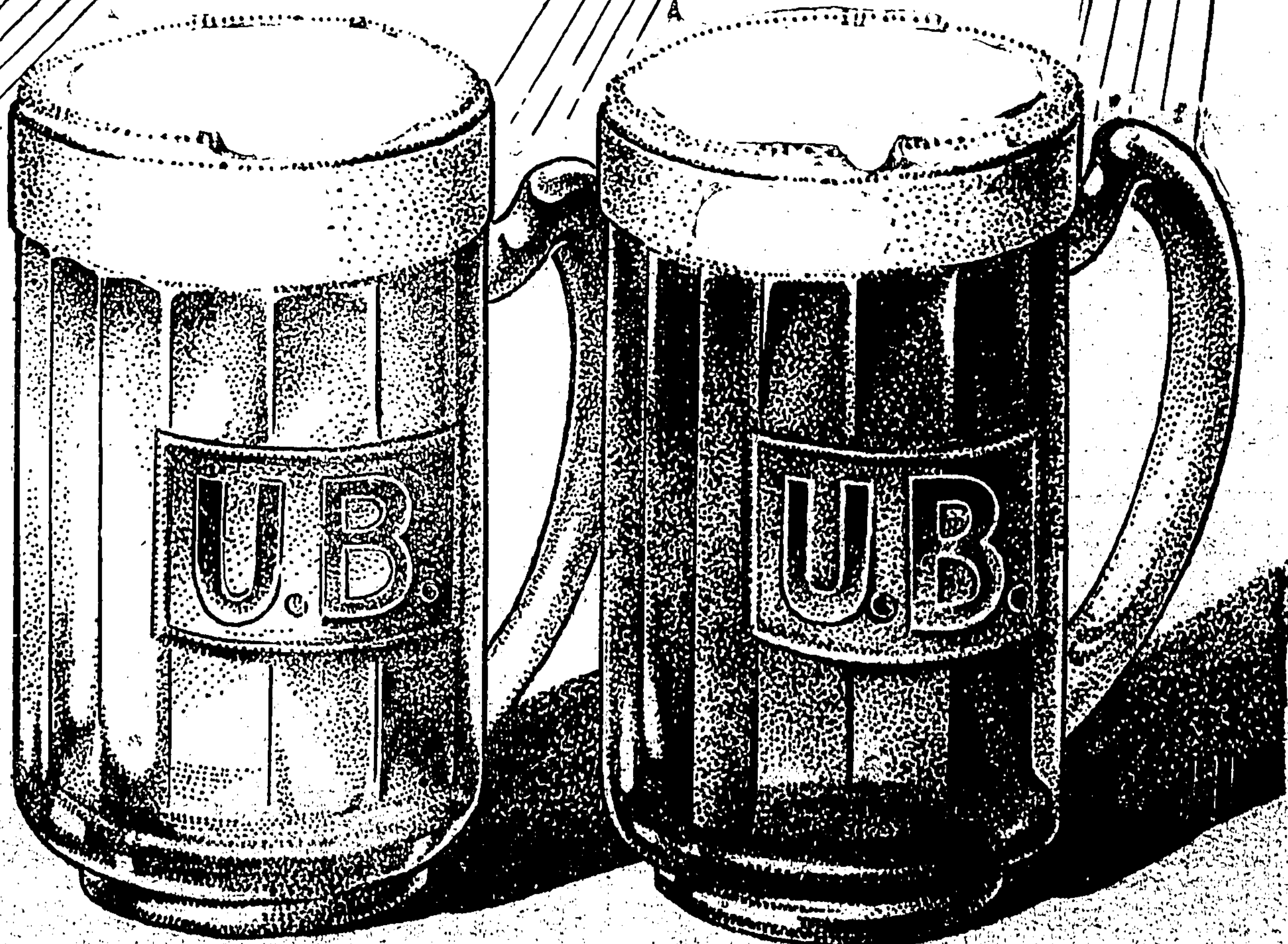
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be HELD at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 11th. February, 1941, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1940.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 1st. February to TUESDAY, 11th. February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers, Hong Kong, 21st January, 1941.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th February, 1941, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Thursday, the 13th February to Wednesday, the 26th February, 1941 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th February, 1941.

PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

TUESDAY, 11th February, 1941

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BRIDGE NOLES

Bridge Swindles — No. 25

By The Four Aces

South was a little disconsolate about the impossible contract he had reached through perfectly normal and logical bidding; but he achieved the impossible by way of a swindle.

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

South's hand: ♠ J 7 4 3, ♥ K J 10, ♦ K Q J 5, ♣ Q 10
North's hand: ♠ Q 8, ♥ 9 8 8 3, ♦ A 7 4, ♣ A 7 6 5 2
The bidding:
South: 1♠, 4♣, 6♠
West: Pass, Pass, Pass
North: 3♠, 4♠, Pass
East: Pass, Pass, Pass

West opened the seven of hearts, and South looked for a way to make his contract before he played the first card from the dummy. He could discard one diamond on dummy's extra heart, but that would still leave him with a diamond loser. And certainly there was a sure trump loser.

With three to the King-Queen cut against him. But perhaps that trump loser wasn't so certain!

With that thought in mind, South won the first trick in dummy by putting up the king of hearts. Then he led the Jack of spades from the dummy. "Cover an honour," said East, amiably, as he put up the Queen of spades. On second thought, we won't repeat what West said as he saw his own King and his partner's Queen fall under South's Ace!

If the players in your group are automatic honour-coverers, remember this type of situation. Few swindles are so soul-satisfying as making no trump loser blossom where a sure loser once flourished. And make a mental note for your own guidance that covering honours in the trump suit almost invariably does the dealer more good than the defenders.

Saturday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

South's hand: ♠ A Q J 8 6 3, ♥ K J 9 4, ♦ K 5
North's hand: ♠ 7, ♥ 10 5, ♦ A 10 7, ♣ Q J 10 6

The bidding:
Jacoby: 1♠, 2NT, 3NT
Maler: Pass, Pass, Pass
Von: 1♥, 2♦, (?)
Schenken: Pass, Pass, Pass

ANSWER: Pass. You have told your full story and must trust your partner to have interpreted it correctly. Since he knows you have six hearts and four diamonds, and still wants to play for three no-trump, you must assume that he has some reason for his bidding.

Score 100% for pass, 20% for four hearts or four diamonds.

Question No. 635

To-day you are Merwin Maler's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you hold:

South's hand: ♠ K J 9 8, ♥ 10 5, ♦ A 10 7, ♣ Q J 10 6
North's hand: ♠ 7, ♥ 10 5, ♦ A 10 7, ♣ Q J 10 6

The bidding:
You: 1♠, 2NT, 3NT
Jacoby: Pass, Pass, Pass
Maler: 1♥, 2♦, (?)
Schenken: Pass, Pass, Pass

What do you bid? (Answer To-morrow.)

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GETS SIX YEARS FOR KILLING

Evidence of blows by an ex-pugilist corporal was given at Sussex Assizes at Lewes by a soldier sentenced to six years' penal servitude for his manslaughter.

Summing up the Judge said that no amount of provocation, cruelty or bad conduct justified a man killing another man in this country. He could see no sign of self-defence.

"But if a man killed because the provocation he had received was more than human nature could be expected to bear, the law made allowance for human weaknesses."

Private Arthur Burrows, thirty-six, of the Pioneer Corps, was found not guilty of murdering Provost Corporal George Thomas Brown, at Burgess Hill on October 1. It was alleged that Burrows shot Brown with a rifle.

In evidence, Burrows said that during the time he was under detention Corporal Brown treated the prisoners roughly.

Burrows said Brown punched him hard in the solar plexus. He also used filthy language to him.

Burrows said he had a hazy idea that he might be able to frighten Brown by firing off a round, not at him, and show him the other rounds.

He thought Brown was coming for him. He picked up the rifle with the intention of warding him off, but not of firing it. The rifle went off.

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Many lives might be saved and many people spared pain if qualified first-aid people advertised themselves more.

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"In many districts first-aid posts are widely scattered, and though you may be hit by shell splinters right outside a hospital, you may not go there for treatment unless you are a serious case."

"And a fairly slight injury, can be made serious by a walk of 500 yards."

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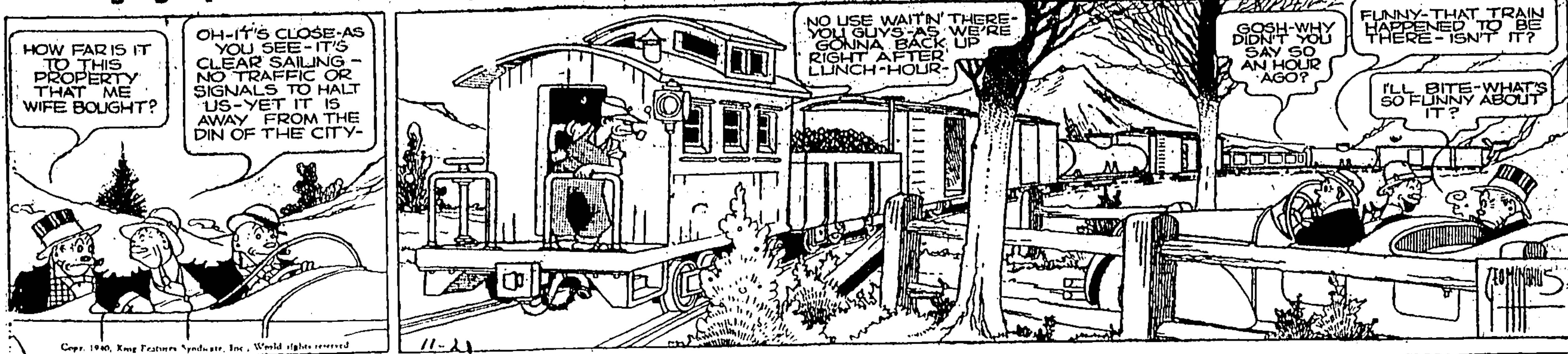
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Women, and men too, must learn how to stretch. Therein lies the secret of scientific streamlining of one's body.

First Stretch To Breathe

Few of us breathe deeply enough. We do not give our lungs sufficient air. Part of each lung is never exercised. Why? Simply because we have never learned to breathe correctly. We have never felt where fresh air should go in our lungs. So to begin our Stretching Series (which are given us through the courtesy of Doctor Howard V. Inches) we learn to-day how it feels to breathe correctly.

For Men And Women

This breathing exercise firms the pectoral muscles of the chest, fills the lungs to capacity thus supplying the body with much needed

oxygen, and helps to firm the muscles in the abdomen. Practice it every day of your life—it takes only a few moments each morning.

Stand in good posture, feet slightly apart, hands clasped tightly on the thighs as demonstrated by Miss Helen Parrish in the photograph.

Throw your shoulders slightly forward and breathe with the diaphragm forcefully as you press the hands as hard as possible against the thighs. You must feel a resultant pulling of the pectoral muscles (those supporting the breasts) and a definite expansion of the V which separates your ribs.

Once you feel your lungs fill with air repeat the exercise slowly and rotate your head from right to left as you inhale and exhale—keeping your shoulders held slightly forward.

This exercise is a very important one as it enlarges your lung capacity if practiced daily. Oxygen is so vital a part of good health that it is important to learn how to stretch in order to give the body all it requires.

The rotating of the head from left to right relieves head and neck congestion and prevents the abhorred dowager's hump.

This is Stretching Exercise I in a new series. Cut out the exercises as they appear so you may have the complete series.



HELEN PARRISH demonstrates a stretching exercise to attain correct breathing and a beautiful bust line.

For Greasy Complexion

The girl who has an over-relaxed, greasy complexion usually has enlarged pores and a sallow skin tone. To correct these ailments a good pore-rousing treatment is essential, and one of the most satisfactory is the old-fashioned oatmeal bag one which requires twelve days of unflinching routine. Here it is copied verbatim from an English book on skin care:

Cut twelve six-inch squares out of a piece of soft muslin. Get one cupful of ordinary oatmeal from any grocer, one eighth of a teaspoonful of powdered sulphur from a druggist, and one teaspoonful of finely shaved castile bar soap.

Add the powdered sulphur and castile soap to the oatmeal and stir thoroughly. Then put one tablespoonful of the mixture into each square of muslin and tie with a piece of string into a small bag.

Use one bag every evening for twelve consecutive days. Saturate it in warm water and rub the face until it is clean. Let the liquid dry on the skin. After two or three minutes rinse the face with warm water and then with cold water. Pat on the following lotion: ten drops of tincture of plain benzoin in one cupful of cold water. Let this dry.

The Next Morning

In the morning wash the face with a fresh stiffish sterilised rub-

ber sponge and plenty of cold water. Use an astringent lotion foundation under your make-up in exactly the same tone as your skin. All cosmetic firms offer



Many a woman learns a lot about her husband from handwriting—especially when the writing is by somebody else.

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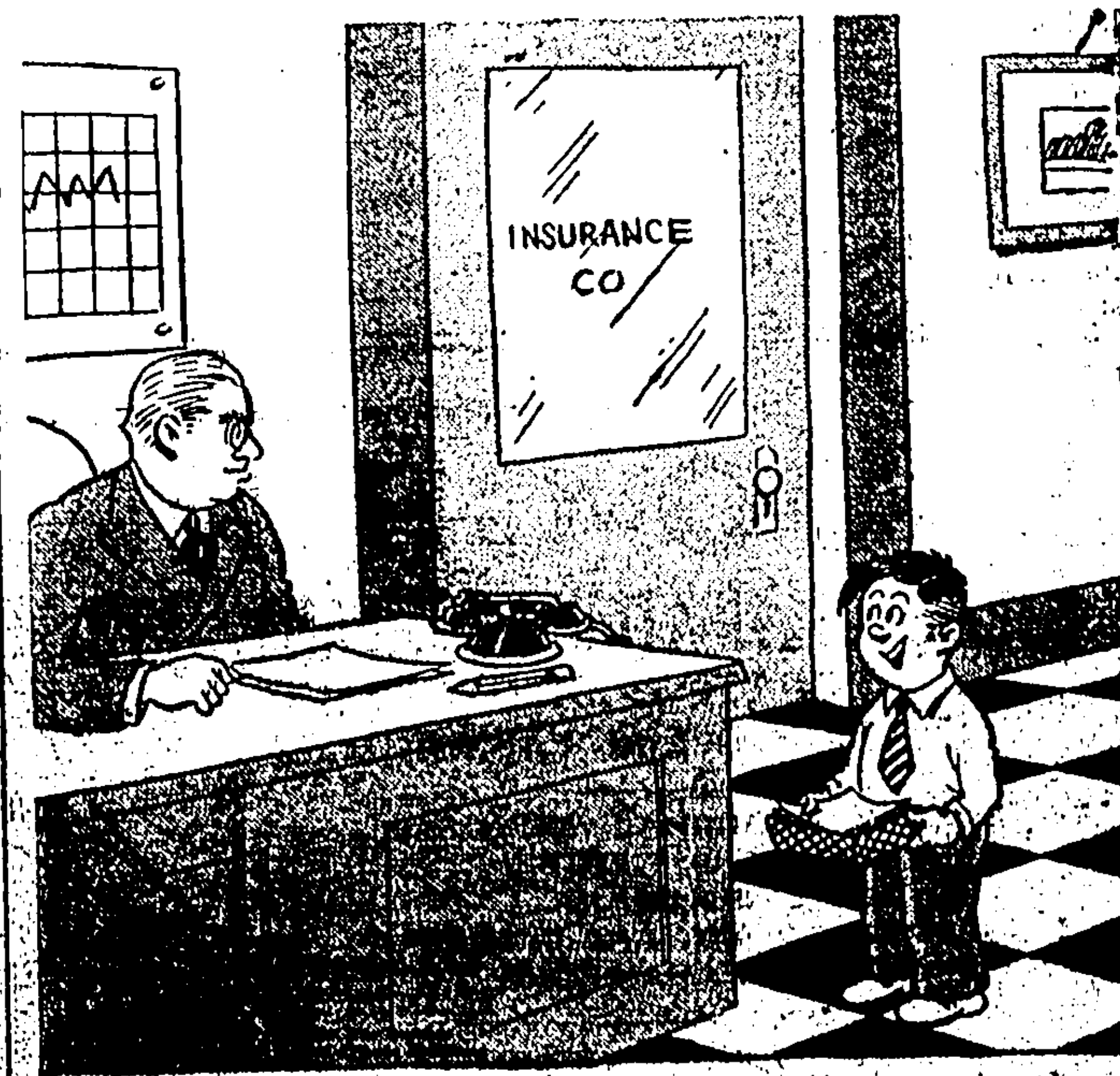
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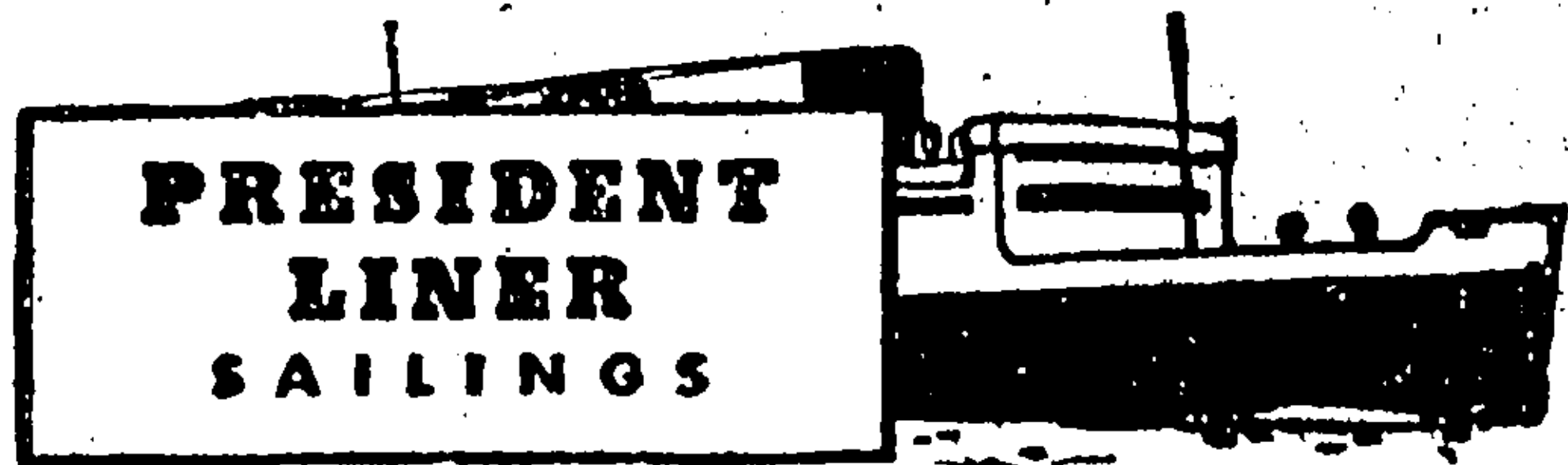


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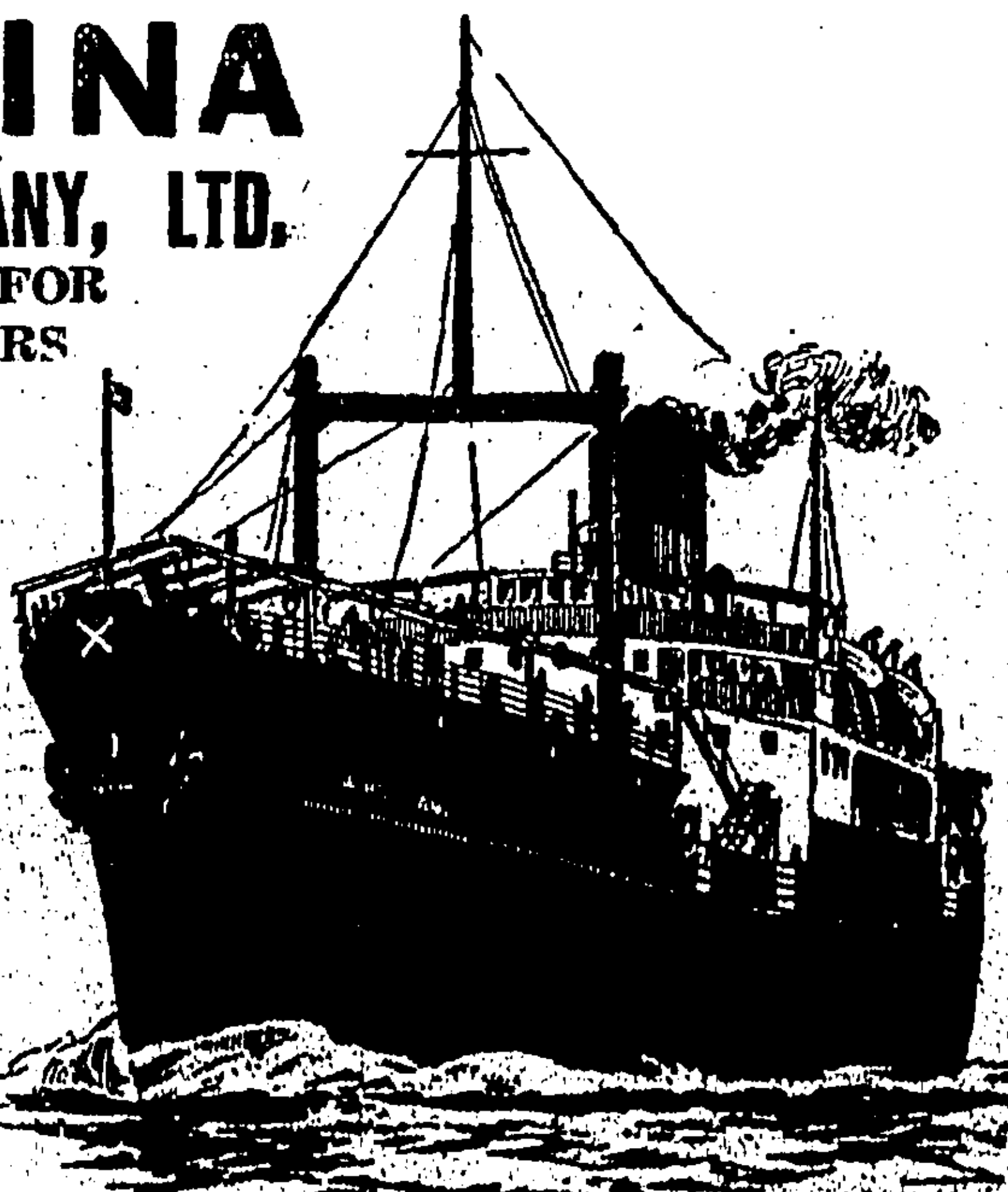
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1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press.
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ments.

1.45 p.m.—Walter Glynn (Tenor) and
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2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
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tions.

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7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Questions of
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iety.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather
Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—This week's programmes.
8.07 p.m.—Reginald Dixon at the Or-
gan.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News &
News Commentary.

9.30 p.m.—The Kentucky Minstrels.
9.40 p.m.—Violin Recital by Fritz
Kreialer.

10.00 p.m.—Some Operatic Duets.
10.20 p.m.—Beethoven—Symphony No.
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1st Mov.: Allegro ma non troppo.
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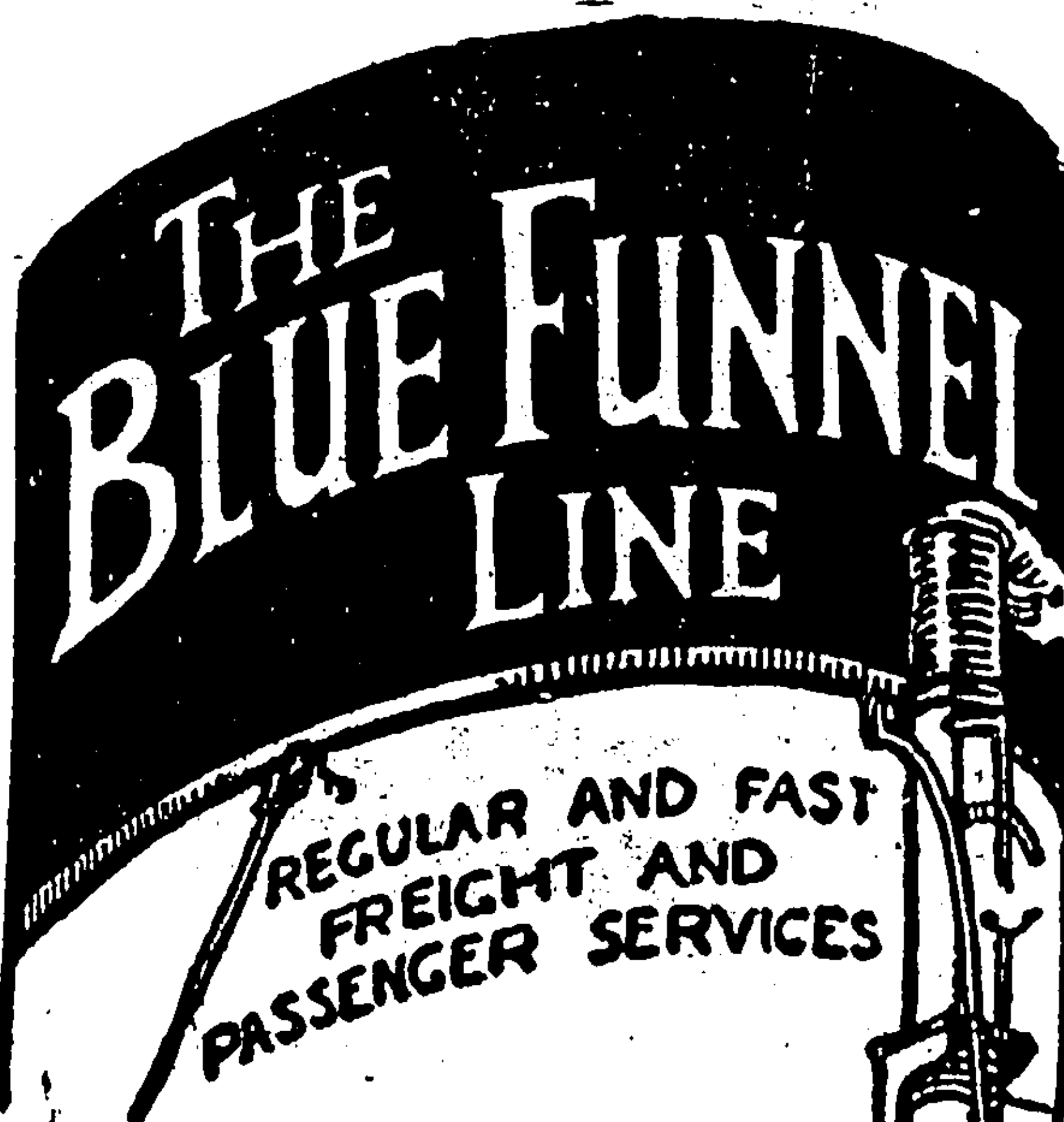
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EASTERN DEFEAT NAVY TO LEAD FIRST DIVISION

Navy Forwards Lack Thrust & Miss Chances

Hsu And Hyui Play Well For Winners

By "Referee"

FIELDING TWO RESERVES Eastern were still able to beat Royal Navy by two clear goals in a First Division game at Causeway Bay yesterday and with only two more matches to play seem assured of at least a play off for the runners-up position following Sing Tao's lapse against Kowloon on Saturday.

Eastern did not have matters put off his game for a long all their own way yesterday. It was left therefore, to against Navy and had to fight up to the last minute to prevent Navy from scoring and in the first half they had some narrow escapes.

Navy also fielded several reserves but these did well on the whole. Giff, in goal, gave a sound display and was safe in his handling while O'Regan and Roughley were a sound pair of backs who used their weight judiciously and when necessary. Both Eastern's goals were through snapped up opportunities as these two backs gave the forwards little chance to really trouble Giff.

Hazard in the pivotal position was a hard worker and he had the centre well covered though he had a hard task watching Hyui who was in good form. Lahye on his right did not allow Hau Ching-to much rope and this speedy winger was not as dangerous as usual. On the left Britt was injured in the very first minute of the game and could not give of his best but rendered good work in the defence where he more than had the measure of Fu Tsuk-pan.

Honywill Shines

Honywill led the line well but could not shake the attentions of Hsu who had him shadowed throughout. He was seen in several good movements with Le Page. Hendy at inside-left was a hard worker. He showed glimpses of good ball control and sent Barber away on several occasions but he did not have a chance to test Lau Hin-hon in goal.

Le Page did a lot of hard work and was always seen assisting the defence. On the right wing Hall was slow to anticipate passes and permitted several good chances to go astray. In the second half he improved greatly and had Lo Wai-kuen fully occupied.

The absence of Chung Yung-sum on the right wing seemed to upset the smooth movements of the Eastern forwards in the first half while the unwelcome bustling methods of O'Regan were not relished by Cheung Kam-hoi who

Cheung Kam-hoi Improves

In the second half Cheung Kam-hoi improved and this caused Fu Tsuk-pan the right wing to come more into the picture and Britt was given more to do.

Hsu, the pivot, was the mainstay of the defence and it was through his sterling work that Eastern were able to keep their goal intact.

Neither of the other halves were particularly outstanding.

Ng Kee-cheong played a grand game at right back and he saved his side on several occasions in the first half by his covering.

The Scoring

Playing against the wind, Eastern started attacking early but were met with a stubborn defence in which O'Regan and Roughley were prominent.

Several good movements were spoiled by the slowness of the Navy forwards and after a period of attacking the ball was swung to the right wing and from a centre Hyui scored a goal with a good shot.

In the second half the same player placed his side further in the lead.

For the greater part of the second period Navy attacked but their forwards were not in shooting form and could not beat Lau Hin-hon.

NAVY—Giff, Roughley, O'Regan, Lahye, Hazard, Britt, Hall, Le Page, Honeywill, Hendy and Barber.

EASTERN—Lau Hin-hon, Ng Kee-cheung, S. Y. Yen, Qui Wing-fok, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen, Fu Tsuk-ping, Cheung Kam-hoi, V. K. Hyui, C. T. Tsao and Hau Ching-to.

SATURDAY'S SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Kowloon did South China a good turn when they held Sing Tao to a goalless draw on Club ground on Saturday in First Division and this result now makes a play-off probable for the runners' up position between Eastern and Sing Tao.

St. Joseph's gave one of their best performances this season when they fully extended South China at Caroline Hill only to lose by the odd goal in three. Four penalties were awarded in this game and only two were converted.

By losing to Kwong Wah, South China Juniors are now practically out of the race for Second Division honours while Engineers are getting nearer and nearer to the title, though they were given a good game by Ordinance.

HOCKEY

Rain caused the postponement of several games, including the Interport practice but the Past and Present girls of Diocesan Girls' school played their Annual game which resulted in Present girls winning by 2 goals to 1.

RUGBY

Combined Services beat Volunteers by three goals and a try (18 points) to a goal, a penalty goal and a try (11 points) after holding an interval lead of 10-3. Combined Services "A" proved too strong for a combined Club-Police "A" team and won by two goals and three tries (19 points) to nil after leading by 6-0 at the interval.

SERVICES TOO GOOD

Combined Services were good value for their Rugby win over Combined Volunteers by 18 pts. to 11 on Saturday.

Their backs were very much more dangerous in attack, and their tackling was always keen.

Outstanding players were Douglass, King and Sutherland, while Volunteers were best served by Thomson, Kennedy and Needham.

In the match in which Services "A" beat Combined Club and Police "A" by 19-0 Keeble and Nelson were only players to impress in a one-sided game.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION		
Navy	0	Eastern 2
SECOND DIVISION		
Navy	0	R. Scots 2
THIRD DIVISION		
20th R.A.	0	7th R.A. 3
International	1	A.S.A. 1
Air Force	1	24th R.A. 1

YESTERDAY'S HOCKEY

Only three hockey matches of the Hong Kong Hockey Association Tournament were played yesterday, owing to the unfit condition of the grounds.

Police beat the Royal Corps of Signals by the odd goal in three at Sookunpoo. Peja Singh scored both goals for the Police, while Price replied for the Signals.

At Boundary Street, the Central British Association drew with Khalsa, 3-3. E. Fowler (2) and T. Whitley scored for Central British, and Awtar Singh and G. Singh (2) were the scorers for Khalsa.

The match between Police "B" and the Engineers resulted in the former winning by one goal scored by Nawar Singh.

SOFTBALL RESULTS

Following are yesterday's softball results:

GIRLS	
Little Flowers 2	Wildcats 20.
Canuckettes 8	Wahoos 6.
MEN	
First Division	
Chinese 2	Indians 6.
Filipinos 3	St. Joseph's 20.
Cyclones 3	Mohawks 7.
Second Division	
Liga Portuguesa 13	Nam Hwa 9.
Royal Scots 4	V.R.C. 23.
INTER-HONG	
Greenspots 2	Wayfoong 16.

MACAO SOCCER TEAM

Macao Football Association, who play Eastern to-morrow at Caroline Hill will be represented by the following:—

Carvalho; Cordova and Chifu; Sousa, Colaco and Magalhaes; Ipoutou, Airoso, Querreira, Lau Chon-kuan and Chong Han-kong.

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The team arrives to-morrow morning and will stay at Hotel Cecil.

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BY BEST BALL

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Fenton Takes All Ten Engineer Wickets

Anderson Reaches His 1,000 Runs

By "Adrem"

THE FRIENDLY ALL-DAY CRICKET MATCH AT SOOKUNPOO BETWEEN K.C.C. AND R.E., WHICH THE FORMER WON BY 131 RUNS YESTERDAY WAS NOTABLE FOR TWO FINE FEATS.

D. J. N. Anderson, the K.C.C. opening batsman, completed his 1,000 runs for the season after he had scored 37 — he went on to make 82 not out — and R. J. Fenton performed the extremely rare feat of taking all 10 Engineer wickets.

Kowloon batted first on a perfect matting wicket. The outfield was slow and the ball had to be hit hard before it would reach the boundary.

Tropp and Denyer bowled steadily and three wickets fell in 30 minutes for only 20 runs.

Anderson was then joined by Mackay and this partnership added 133 runs. Mackay then being caught and bowled by Denyer for 67 soon after lunch.

Denyer struck an inspired patch after lunch and the balls with which he bowled Gray and Perry were very good ones. Anderson, however, was in no trouble and when the innings closed K.C.C. were two short — he was still undefeated.

The earlier R.E. batsmen shaped well, Ratcliffe and Shaw looking particularly confident and Tropp defending stoutly throughout, but Fenton, turning the ball both ways and keeping a fairly accurate length, took wickets regularly.

On three occasions in the course of this innings he took two wickets with successive balls but he was unable to complete the "hat-trick."

It is understood that Fenton will be presented with the ball, suitably mounted and inscribed, with which he accomplished his feat yesterday.

KOWLOON C.C.	
D. J. N. Anderson, not out	82
W. L. Rapley, b. Tropp	6
A. Zimmermann, c. and b. Holliday	6
L. R. Burch, b. Tropp	3
N. A. E. Mackay, c. and b. Denyer	67
S. A. Gray, b. Denyer	1
A. E. Perry, b. Denyer	9
K. M. Baxter, lbw. Denyer	0
R. J. Fenton, b. Denyer	10
Extras	9

Total 193

Bowling Analysis	
O.	M.
Tropp	12 1 43 2
Holliday	4 1 15 1
Denyer	9 7 1 45 5
Shipp	4 0 34 0
Ratcliffe	3 0 19 0
Shaw	1 0 13 0
Samways	1 0 15 0

ROYAL ENGINEERS	
Holliday, c. Anderson, b. Fenton	0
Ratcliffe, c. Gray, b. Fenton	12
Shaw, b. Fenton	4
Tropp, not out	22
Bailey, st. Zimmermann, b. Fenton	0
Shipp, c. Gray, b. Fenton	9
Denyer, b. Fenton	0
Samways, b. Fenton	5
Kehoe, b. Fenton	2
Hawkins, b. Fenton	0
Palmier, b. Fenton	8
Extras	8

Total 62

Bowling Analysis	
O.	M.
Fenton	9 6 2 30 10
Perry	5 3 4 0
Baxter	4 0 20 0

ZIVIC WINS WATCH

Fritz Zivic was an easy winner of a contest to determine the sports figure who did the most to publicise Pittsburgh during the year.

Zivic, who won the world welterweight championship from Henry Armstrong, was given a \$220 watch. He beat out Billy Conn, who captured the award in 1939; Dr. Jock Sutherland, the Pittsburgher who coaches the Brooklyn football Dodgers; Bill McKechnie, Pittsburgher who manages the Reds; Buff Donelli, Duquesne coach; Debs Garms, Pittsburgh's National League batting champion, and Frank Frisch, manager of the Pirates.

RECREIO BEAT CHINA LIGHT

At King's Park yesterday, Club de Recreio beat an eleven from China Light and Power Company by 29 runs in a friendly cricket match.

RECREIO	
A. J. M. Prata, lbw. b. Clemo	4
L. G. Gosano, b. Silva	28
A. M. Prata, b. Clemo	41
A. M. Rodrigues, c. Tillery	9
E. M. L. Soares, c. Lay, b. Silva	6
H. A. Barros, c. Lay, b. Clemo	4
F. J. Remedios, b. Clemo	1
A. H. Remedios, lbw. b. Silva	0

F. A. Alves, c. Lay, b. Silva	5
R. M. Soares, run out	1
A. M. Remedios, not out	0
Extras (W1, B6, LB2)	9

Totals 111

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Silva	9	2	28	4
Remedios	4	0	17	0
Clemon	7	0	28	5
Lay	1	0	14	0
Brown	1	0	15	0

CHINA LIGHT

E. A. Noronha, b. Alves	6
F. J. Lay, b. Gosano	3
M. A. Remedios, b. Gosano	0
P. M. N. da Silva, c. F. J. Remedios, b. A. M. Prata	16

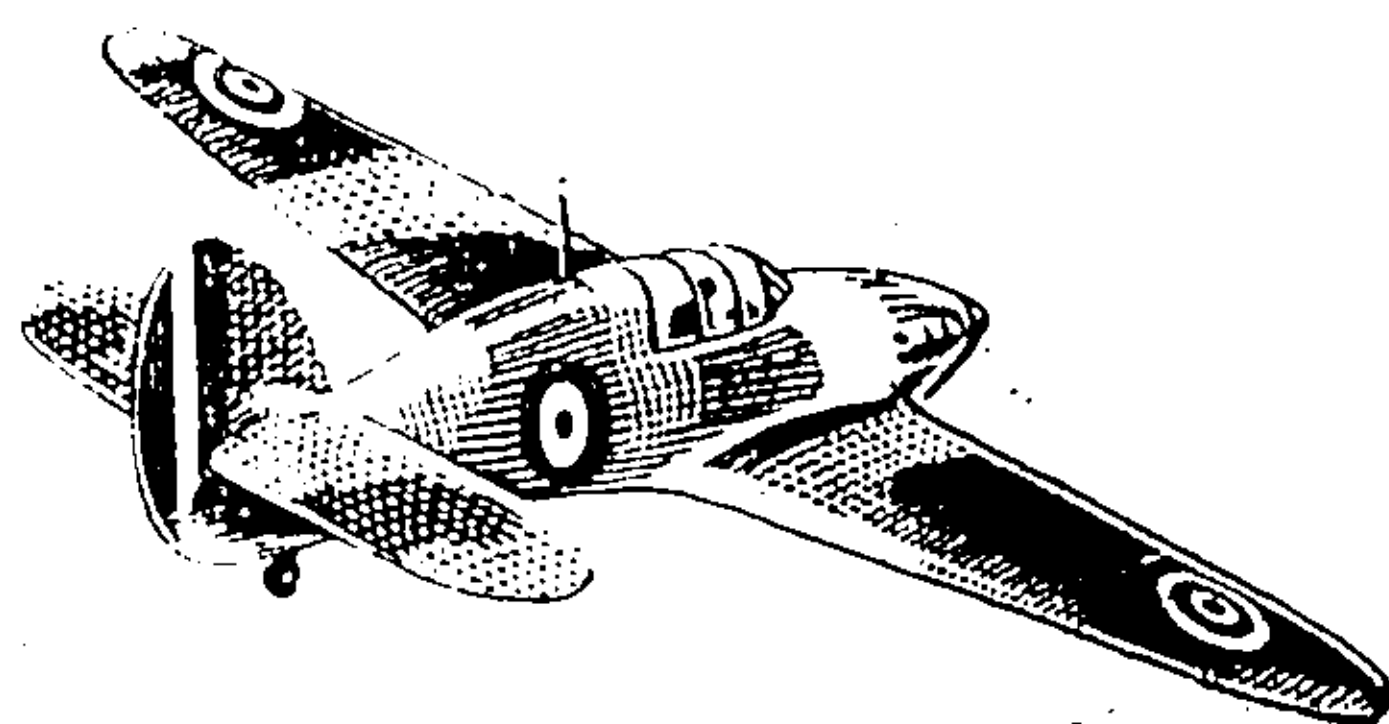
C. F. Wood, c. E. M. L. Soares, b. A. M. Prata	19
A. C. Tinson, c. Alves, b. A. M. Prata	4
J. W. Bertram, b. B. M. L. Soares	20
W. Tillery, c. A. M. Remedios, b. A. H. Remedios	2
A. B. Clemon, c. Alves, b. A. H. Remedios	6
W. J. Brown, c. Gosano, b. A. J. M. Prata	3
P. D'Almeida, not out	0
Extras (W2, B1)	3

Totals 82

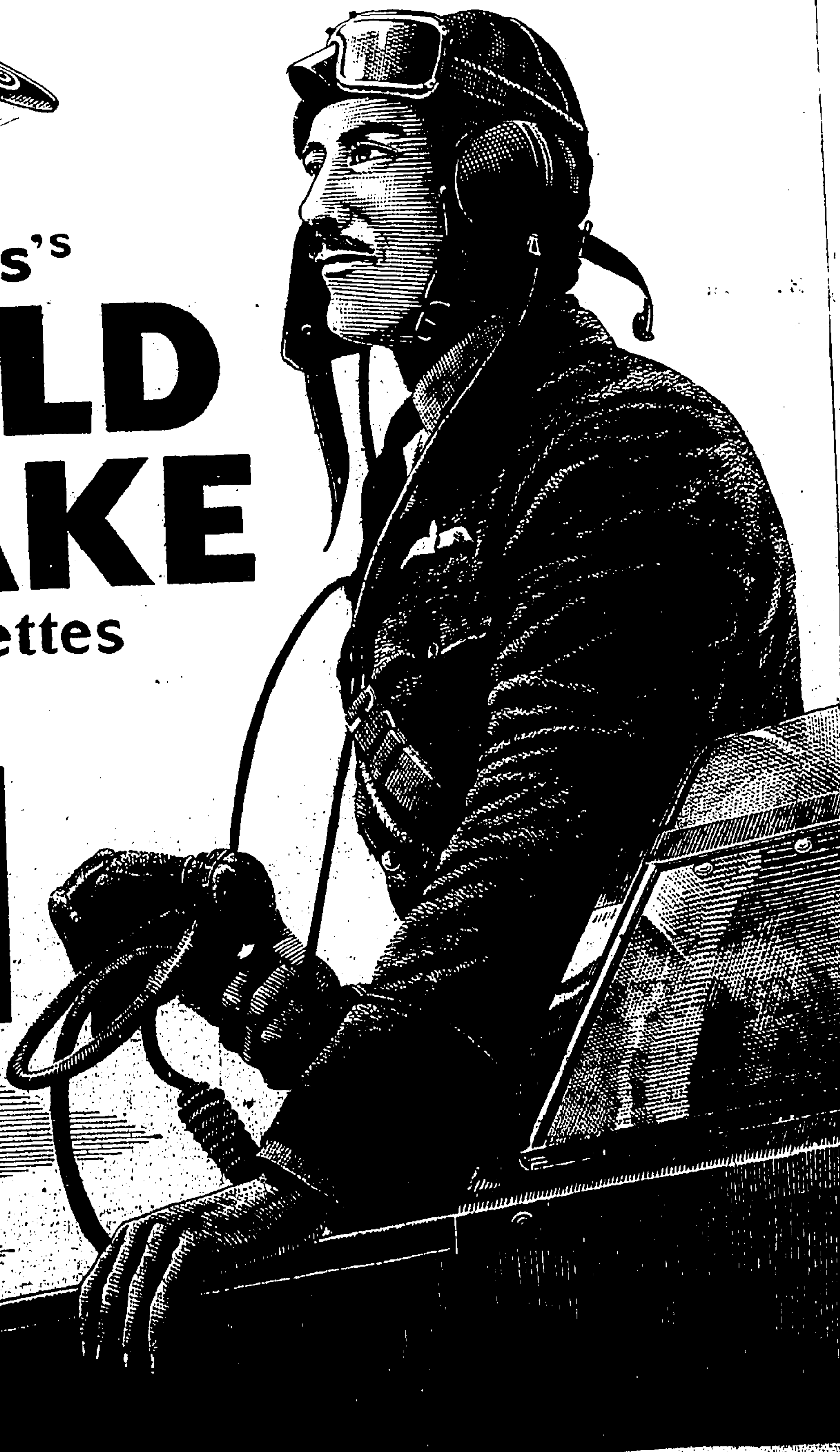
Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gosano	4	0	13	2
E. A. R. Alves	4	1	16	1
A. M. Prata	4	2	10	3
R. M. Soares	3	0	9	0
A. H. Remedios	3	0	9	2
F. J. Remedios	2	0	12	0
E. M. L. Soares	1	0	10	1
A. J. M. Prata	1	1	0	1

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M. FLANDIN RESIGNS

To Clear Way For Cabinet Re-Shuffle In Vichy

Admiral Darlan To Have Post Of Vice-Premier

M. FLANDIN, WHO SUCCEEDED M. LAVAL AS FOREIGN MINISTER IN THE VICHY GOVERNMENT, HAS RESIGNED LEAVING MARSHAL PETAIN FREE TO REFORM THE GOVERNMENT.

VICHY CABINET RE-SHUFFLE

The replacement of all French Ministers except Admiral Darlan and General Huntziger (and possibly Barthélemy, the newly-appointed Minister of Justice) is expected in a Vichy Cabinet re-shuffle, says the official German News Agency.

The re-shuffle, according to D.N.B., is likely to take place either to-day or to-morrow (Tuesday). —Reuter.

A communique issued in Vichy yesterday stated "M. Flandin who responded to Marshal Petain's appeal when, at a delicate moment, the latter asked for his collaboration, has considered it his duty to place his office at the disposal of the head of the Government.

"This gesture will give a great soldier whose responsibility alone it is to guide the destiny of France, the complete liberty he needs to take all the measures required by the present situation."

"The conversations Admiral Darlan had in Paris following the interview at Lafert (between Marshal Petain and M. Laval) have to the Montoire policy a new reality. It is probable that the situation thus created will lead to decisions in the near future.

Flandin's Letter

"M. Flandin was actuated by a wish to apprise the Marshal of the need to take personalities into consideration. The head of the Government has thanked him warmly for his gesture."

M. Flandin, in his letter of resignation, to Marshal Petain said: "I gave myself to the task you yourself laid down for me —to put into effect the policy of collaboration in respect of the armistice terms with dignity and honour."

"Forces of circumstances had caused me to ask Marshal Petain to accept my resignation."

"I hope this gesture will be understood and interpreted by all Frenchmen as an expression of the duty that falls to us, for the salvation of the Fatherland, to help you in your heavy task and remain united around you."

Petain's Reply

Marshal Petain has sent a reply to M. Flandin in which he stated that M. Flandin, by leaving the Government, was sacrificing himself for France.

His gesture of noble disinterestedness would be understood and appreciated.

ADMIRAL DARLAN HAS BECOME SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, STATES AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED IN VICHY LAST NIGHT. HE ALSO BECOMES VICE-PREMIER (THE POST WHICH M. LAVAL HELD BUT DROPPED ON HIS DISMISSAL). —REUTER.

ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS

ENEMY SUPPLY SHIPS, ESCORTED BY DESTROYERS, OFF THE COAST OF SOUTHERN NORWAY, WERE ATTACKED BY COASTAL COMMAND AIRCRAFT ON SATURDAY, STATES AN AIR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE, ISSUED YESTERDAY IN LONDON.

A small force of bombers, continued the communique, carried out attacks on industrial targets at Mannheim on Saturday night although weather conditions again were unfavourable.

During Saturday, adds the communique, our aircraft bombed objectives at Rotterdam and Flushing. —Reuter.

TWO RAIDS ON MALTA

Enemy raids on Malta on Friday and Saturday are described in an R.A.F. communique issued in Cairo yesterday.

It states that a number of bombs were dropped but there were no R.A.F. casualties or damage.

One R.A.F. aircraft which was stated to be missing in the communique of February 8 has now returned to its base. — Reuter.

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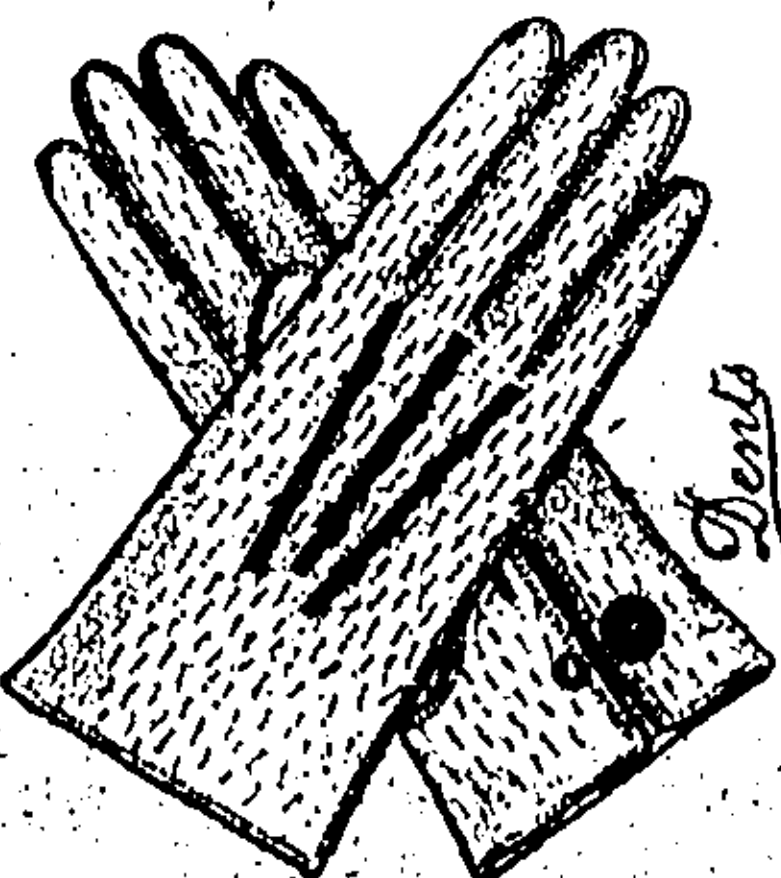
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German Penetration Of Bulgaria

Mr. Churchill, reviewing the war situation in a broadcast at four o'clock this morning, H.K. time, announced the development of a critical situation in the Balkans.

The Prime Minister said that there had already been German penetration of Bulgaria, presumably with the consent of the Bulgarian Government, and he spoke of preparations indicating the imminence of "violent action."

The War's Most Tremendous Naval Bombardment

THE ROYAL NAVY UNLEASHED AT DAWN YESTERDAY, THE WAR'S MOST TREMENDOUS NAVAL BOMBARDMENT OF A PORT, WHEN HEAVY AND LIGHT UNITS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN FLEET SENT OVER 300 TONS OF SHELLS CRASHING INTO THE GREAT PORT OF GENOA, THE HISTORIC FOURTH CITY OF ITALY.

Naval aircraft at the same time were aiming high explosive and incendiary bombs on military objectives at Pisa, and also were blasting one of the largest oil plants in Italy, at Leghorn — Leghorn, the front door of the Italian Fleet.

BRITAIN READY FOR BLITZKRIEG

An important move to speed up the repair of bombed factories which will bring engineers and surveyors on the spot even while a raid is still on, is announced by the Minister of Works and Buildings, Lord Reith.

Lord Reith has appointed as Director of Emergency Reconstruction, Major-General C. C. Appleyard, and Permanent Area Officers throughout the country are to work with the Minister of Aircraft Production and local reconstruction panels.

The objective of the new Director will be to concentrate on the repair of vital factories and buildings with the greatest possible speed so that war production may suffer as little as possible.

Thus, engineers and surveyors will be on the spot possibly before a raid is over, material rushed in to whatever extent is necessary, special action being taken regarding labour. — Reuter.

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Vatican Radio Jammed

The Vatican Radio has been jammed for several weeks, and this was the explanation given by the announcer for the slow speed and constant repetition of messages given out yesterday.

"We beg our listeners," said the announcer, "to excuse us for speaking slowly and repeating all the time, but for several weeks now the Vatican Radio has been jammed by an unknown source."

We have never put over the air anything that was not in accordance with the law of nature and God, and no reports of which we had not previously obtained irrefutable proof.

"We conclude this is a manoeuvre by certain people who are afraid of the truth being heard and the work of powers that shun the light, of lying propaganda." — Reuter.

CHUNGKING DENIES RUMOURS

A CATEGORICAL DENIAL WAS GIVEN IN CHUNGKING YESTERDAY BY A CHINESE MILITARY SPOKESMAN TO RUMOURS THAT THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS WERE FORMING AN INDEPENDENT ARMY OR THAT PUNITIVE MEASURES AGAINST THEM HAD BEEN TAKEN, OR WERE CONTEMPLATED.

After recalling that the Chinese Communists had pledged their alliance to the National Forces in September 1939, the spokesman said that they undertook to abide by the orders of the Chinese Government.

The Communists forces were now simply one section (about two per cent.) of the Chinese National Forces, he concluded. — Reuter.

All this was achieved for the loss of only one Swordfish aircraft, while two Italian 'planes were shot down.

The bombardment was even more successful than was at first thought, states an Admiralty communique, giving these further details.

The forces under the command of Vice-Admiral Sir James Somerville consisted of the battle-cruiser, H.M.S. Renown, the battleship, H.M.S. Malaya, the aircraft-carrier, H.M.S. Ark Royal, and the cruiser, H.M.S. Sheffield, with light forces in company.

Power Station Hit

The following results were observed states the communique:

The Ansaldo Electric Works and the Ansaldo Boiler Works were heavily hit and large fires started. The main power station of the port, which also supplies power for the railways, was severely damaged and set on fire.

Many hits were also made on the dry docks and warehouses and the harbour works surrounding the inner harbour. Here, too, considerable fires broke out.

The main oil fuel installation and the oil tanks were repeatedly hit, as were a number of supply ships and the main goods yard of the railway.

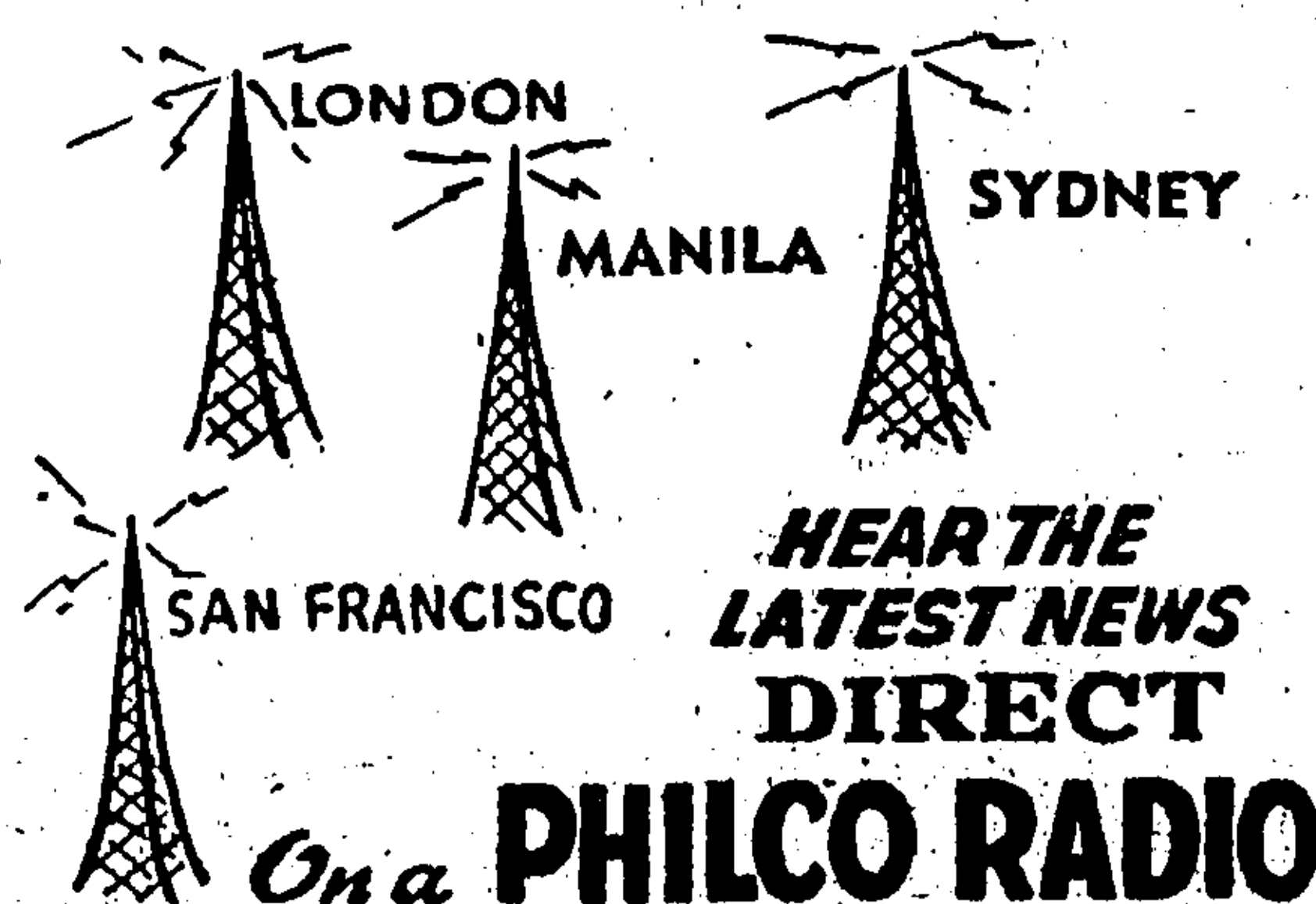
Leghorn Attack

Several tons of bombs and a large number of incendiaries were dropped by naval aircraft on the oil refinery of Anic at Leghorn and on other targets in the vicinity. This oil refinery is one of the largest and most important oil plants in Italy.

Other naval aircraft attacked Pisa, where the aerodrome and railway junction were hit. This railway junction is the intersection of the main west coast railway from Genoa to Rome and the south and is one of the most important railway routes across the Peninsula from Leghorn to Bologna and Venice.

Two Italian aircraft which attempted to interfere were shot down. One British Swordfish aircraft is missing.

The communique concludes: No other casualties were suffered by the British forces in the course of these most successful operations. — Reuter.



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SITUATION

AT SHA YU-CHUNG

Chinese reports that the Japanese have left Sha-yu-chung were authoritatively denied this morning.

In fact, the Japanese troops which occupied Sha-yu-chung have spread to neighbouring villages along the coast, east and west of Sha-yu-chung.

LONDON "ALERT"

The sounding of air raid sirens in London yesterday afternoon was followed by short alert. — British Wireless.

Armoured Units In Libya Now On Tripolitan Border

CHUNG HWA CLUB DANCE

Celebrating their second anniversary, the Chung Hwa Club will hold a Supper Dance in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, on Saturday next.

Although young, the Chung Hwa Club has made a name for itself in sporting circles having, since its inauguration, participated in almost every branch of sport, particularly in baseball and softball.

Most of its members are American born Chinese, the President being Mr. Al Lau; Vice-President Mr. Dick Chung; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Kenneth Wong; and Hon. Secretary, Miss Gene Pang.

Miss Gene Pang will be sailing at the end of this month for the United States where her parents have made their home.

SENTRY AND THE BUNK SLEEPER

A civil servant who sleeps each night at his office is alleged by the Civil Service Clerical Association to have been held at bayonet point for twenty minutes by the sentry on duty at the office because he declined to go to his bunk before he was ready to do so.

He was later handed over to the police and taken by van to the police station, from which he was subsequently released on bail.

On the following morning he was fined 10s. for "obstructing the sentry in the course of his duty."

The association has asked the

Five Senior Generals Captured

ADVANCED ELEMENTS of the British armoured forces in Libya have occupied El Agheila, a coastal town over a hundred miles south of Benghazi and well on the road to Tripoli.

Five senior Generals and many thousands of prisoners have been taken at Benghazi, in addition to the Army Commander and Corps Commander already reported.

In Eritrea, the disorganised Italians, according to last night's Cairo communique were being chased towards Arreza.

The R.A.F. Middle East communique says: "The R.A.F. is harassing the retreating Italian forces. Motor transport, troops, gun emplacements and other objectives in and around Keren have been repeatedly bombed."

In Abyssinia, eight Italian machines were destroyed on the landing ground at Alcmata, south of Lake Tana, and considerable damage was done by British aircraft to the camp.

authorities to conduct an investigation into the case with a view to an apology being made and the conviction quashed.

At Karora, on the Eritrean-Sudan frontier, near the coast, an enemy concentration was bombed, while the landing grounds at Dessie were also raided, bombs falling among the hangars and buildings. Only one British machine is missing.

Eleven prisoners were captured from Capronis shot down on February 3 and it is confirmed that one other enemy plane was destroyed that day.

Small Town

El Agheila, occupied by the British Forces, is a small town of about 1,000 inhabitants.

It had barracks for the Carabinieri, a wireless station and an emergency landing ground.

The town stands at the southernmost point of the Gulf of Sirte, 175 miles by road from Benghazi and 10 miles from the border of Tripolitania.

Travelling westward, El Agheila is the last place of any importance before the desert of Sirte.

Big Advance

A further big advance by British forces in Libya was announced in yesterday's Middle East Command communique, which states that El Agheila—about 145 miles south of Benghazi—has been occupied by the advanced elements of the British armoured forces.

Meanwhile, the communique adds that the clearance of battlefields, south of Benghazi, is continuing.

Owing to the extent of the area covered by the final operations, some time will elapse before the exact number of prisoners and the amount of war materials captured can be known.

Keren Defence

In Eritrea, operations around Keren have been developing satis-

ATTACKS CONVOY FOR LAST TIME

The enemy plane which attempted to attack a convoy yesterday was promptly shot down into the sea by the escort vessel "Pythchley" it was announced in London yesterday.

The Admiralty communique said that there were no survivors from the enemy aircraft.—Reuter.

R.A.F. RAIDS OF A WEEK

Royal Air Force raids over Germany occupied ports and beyond, were on larger scale once again during the week ending at dawn on Friday.

Altogether three raids were made on docks and other objectives at Brest, Boulogne and Ostend while at Dieppe and Dunkirk, docks and shipping were also attacked.

Fighter aircraft escorting a small bomber force twice made offensive sweeps in daylight over a wide area in northern France, attacking both ports and inland aerodromes.

During the week, various targets in the Dusseldorf area in Germany were attacked. These included two railway junctions, an aerodrome and a large factory.—Reuter.

GLOWING TRIBUTE TO INDIAN TROOPS IN MIDDLE EAST

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL Auchinleck, new Commander-in-Chief in India, in a broadcast yesterday paid glowing tribute to the Indian troops for their part in the operations in Africa.

He said that on his way to India he had seen several Indian units in Eastern Sudan some of which had already fought at Sidi Barrani.

"Even this moment they are winning fresh battle honours," he said.

"On the eve of the latest brilliant victory, I received the following message from General Wavell: 'Indian troops were amongst the early reinforcements

factorily although the enemy has reinforced the troops holding positions in that region.

Further south, British forces continue in close pursuit of the disorganised Italians who are making their way over difficult country towards Arreza, close to the Abyssinian border.

British progress along the Gondar road in Abyssinia have been temporarily slowed up by extensive mine-fields which are now being cleared while in Italian Somaliland, intense patrol activity has still further deepened the areas of British penetration.—Reuter.

to arrive in Egypt and have been maintaining the defence of that country ever since.

"This long period was rewarded by their participation in the battle of Sidi Barrani in which the magnificent work of the Indian troops enhanced the already high reputation they previously held.

"Since then, Indian troops have taken part in several important actions culminating in the most brilliant pursuit from Kessala to Keren.

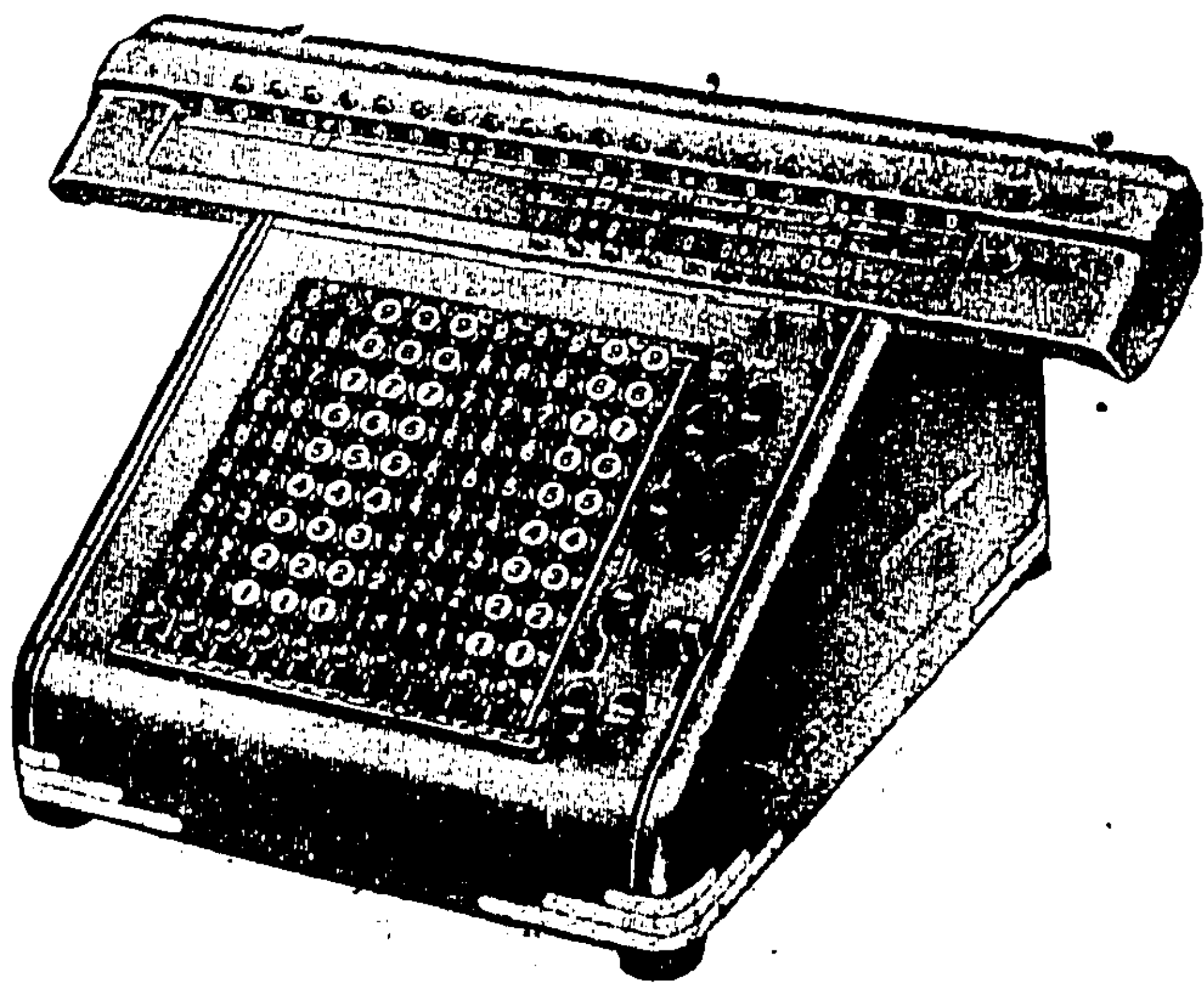
"In this action Indian troops performed extremely good work in most difficult conditions."

Invasion Prediction

Lieutenant-General Auchinleck also declared that everything suggested that the present war would be critical while concerning the possibility of an attempt to invade Britain, he declared that he had no doubt whatever that if the attempt were made it would "end in complete disaster" as Britain was now one vast fortress.—Reuter.

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Mr. Churchill's Review Of War Situation Triumph In Libya: Menace In Balkans: Invasion Warning

"WE STOOD OUR GROUND AND FACED TWO DICTATORS IN AN HOUR OF WHAT SEEMED TO BE THEIR OVERWHELMING TRIUMPH AND WE HAVE SHOWN OURSELVES CAPABLE SO FAR OF STANDING UP AGAINST THEM ALONE."

Mr. Winston Churchill opened his broadcast to the Nation and Empire with these words last night.

"It is more than five months," he said, "since I spoke to the British Nation and the Empire on a broadcast. In war time, there is a lot to be said for the motto 'deeds not words.' All the same, it is a good thing to look round from time to time and take stock, and certainly our affairs have prospered in several directions during these last four or five months for better than most of us would have ventured to hope.

After the heavy defeats of the German Air Force by our fighters in August and September last year, Hitler did not attempt the invasion of this island, although he had need to do so, and had made vast preparations.

"Baffled in this mighty project, he sought to break the spirit of the British nation by bombing first London, and afterwards our great cities.

"It has now been proved to the admiration of the world and our friends in the United States, that this form of blackmail by murder and terrorism, so far from weakening the spirit of the British Nation, has only roused it to a more intense universal flame than was seen ever before in any modern community.

"The whole of the British Empire has been proud of the Mother country and they long to be with us over here in even larger numbers. We have been deeply conscious of the love for us which has flowed from the Dominions of the Crown across the broad ocean spaces.

"That is first of our war aims to be worthy of that love and preserve it.

Bombing Of England

"All through these dark winter months the enemy has had the power to drop three or four tons of bombs upon us for every ton we could send to Germany in return.

"We are arranging so that presently this will be rather the other way round, but, meanwhile, London and our big cities have had to stand their pounding.

"They remind me of the British squares at Waterloo. They are not squares of soldiers, they do not wear scarlet coats.

"They are just ordinary English, Scottish and Welsh folk, men, women and children standing steadfastly together but their spirit is the same, their glory is the same, and in the end their victory will be greater than the famous Waterloo.

"All honour is due to the civil defence services of all kinds — emergency and regular, voluntary and professional, who have helped our people through this formidable ordeal, the like of which no civilised community has ever been called upon to undergo.

Back Of Winter

"More than two-thirds of the winter has now gone and so far we have had no serious epidemic, indeed, there has been no increase in illness, in spite of the improvised conditions in the shelters.

"That is mostly due to the local medical and sanitary authorities, to our devoted nursing staff and the Ministry of Health,

whose head, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, is now going to Canada on other important duties.

"We have broken the back of winter, daylight grows, the R.A.F. grows and is already certainly master of daylight and the air.

Sharper, But Shorter

"The attacks may be sharper but they will be shorter. There will be more opportunities for work and service of all kinds.

So, if our first victory was the repulse of the invader, our second was the frustration of his acts of terror and torture against our people at home.

"Meanwhile, abroad, in October, a wonderful thing happened. One of the two Dictators, a cold-blooded and blackhearted Italian, who had sought to gain an empire at a cheap price by stabbing fallen France in the back, got into trouble.

Without the slightest provocation, spurred on by the lust of power and brutish greed, Mussolini attacked and invaded Greece only to be hurled back ignominiously by the heroic Greek army who have revived before our eyes the glories that, from the classic age, have filled their native land.

Libyan Campaign

"While Mussolini was writhing and smarting under the Greek lash in Albania, Generals Wavell and Wilson who were charged with the defence of Egypt and the Suez Canal in accordance with our Treaty obligations, whose task at one time seemed so difficult, had received very powerful reinforcements of men, cannon, equipment and above all, tanks, which we had sent from our island in spite of the invasion threat and large numbers of troops from India, Australia and New Zealand had also reached them.

"There began that series of victories in Libya which have broken irretrievably Italian military power in the African continent. Here then, in Libya, is the third considerable event upon which we may feel some satisfaction."

Hazardous Adventure

After referring to the early stages of the British advance in Libya as "the most hazardous adventure," Mr. Churchill continued: "The brilliant decisive factor in Sidi Barrani with its tens of thousands of prisoners, proved that we had a quality in manoeuvring power and weapons superior to the enemy who had boasted so much of his virility and military virtues.

"It was evident that all other Italian forces in eastern Libya

were in great danger. They could not easily retreat along the coastal road without running the risk of being caught in the open by our armoured division and brigades ranging far out into the desert in tremendous swoops. They had exposed themselves to being attacked piecemeal.

"General Wavell, nay, all our leaders of British, Australians and Indians in the Imperial Army saw their opportunity.

"At that time, I ventured to draw General Wavell's attention to the gospel of St. Matthew at the seventh verse where, as you all know, or ought to know, it is written: 'Ask and it shall be given, seek and ye shall find, knock and the door shall be opened to you.'

"The Army of the Nile has asked and it was given. They sought and they have found. They knocked and it has been opened to them.

Model Of Military Art

"In barely eight weeks of the campaign, which should be long studied as a model of military art, an advance of over four hundred miles has been made. The whole Italian army in the East — an army reputed to exceed one hundred and fifty thousand men — have been captured or destroyed and the entire province of Cyrenaica, nearly as big as England and Wales, has been conquered.

"The unhappy Arab tribes which have suffered from brutal Italian rule have been freed. Those Bedouin survivors have at least seen their oppressors in disorderly flight or led off in endless droves as prisoners of war.

Egypt Safe

"Egypt and the Suez Canal are safe and the port, base and airfields of Benghazi constitute a strategic point of high consequence to the whole war in the Eastern Mediterranean."

Mr. Churchill proceeded to pay glowing tributes to General Wavell and other military leaders and said he had received a telegram from General Wavell saying that the success of Benghazi was due to the outstanding leadership and resolution of Generals O'Connor and Greagh, ably backed by General Wilson.

Referring to the part played by the Royal Air Force and the Navy in the battle of Libya, Mr. Churchill declared that none of the British plans could have succeeded had not the pilots wrested the control of the air from a far more numerous enemy air force.

Nor would the campaign itself have been possible if the British Mediterranean Fleet had not chased the Italian Navy into their harbours and sustained every forward surge of the army with all the flexible resources of sea power.

Genoa Shelling

Mr. Churchill continued: "How far-reaching these resources are we may now see from what happened at dawn this morning, when our Western Mediterranean Fleet under Admiral Somerville entered the Gulf of Genoa and bombarded in a shattering manner the naval base, from which a German Nazi expedition might sail to attack General Weygand in Algeria or Tunisia.

"It is right that the Italian people should be made to feel the sorry plight into which they had been led by Mussolini. 'If the cannonade of Genoa,

rolling along the coast and reverberating in the mountains, has reached the ears of our French comrades in their grief and misery, it may cheer them with a feeling that friends, active friends, are near and that Britannia rules the waves.

"The events in Libya are only part of the story. They are only part of the story of the decline and fall of the Italian Empire that will not take the future Gibbon so long to write as an original work.

In East Africa

"Fifteen-hundred miles away to the South, a strong British and Indian army, having driven the invaders out of the Sudan, are marching steadily forward through the Italian Colony of Eritrea thus seeking a complete isolation of all Italian troops in Abyssinia. Other British troops are entering Abyssinia from the West while an army is gathered in Kenya in the van of which we may discern the powerful forces of South Africa, organised by General Smuts, striking northward along the whole of this enormous frontier.

Lastly, Ethiopian patriots, whose independence was stolen five years ago, have risen in arms and their Emperor, so recently exiled in England, is in their midst to fight for their freedom and his throne.

"Here, then, we see the beginning of the process of reparation and the chastening of wrong-doing which reminds that though mills of God grind slowly, they grind exceedingly small."

U.S. Aid

Referring to the "mighty tide of sympathy and good-will and effective aid" which has begun to flow across the Atlantic, Mr. Churchill said to his hearers that it might be that both Mr. Wendell Willkie and Mr. Harry Hopkins would tell the truth about what they had seen over here.

"More than that is not asked. 'The rest we leave with good confidence to the judgment of President Roosevelt, the United States Congress, and the American people.'

Balkan Unity

Turning to what he described as the more serious, darker and more dangerous aspects of the vast scene of the war, Mr. Churchill said, "We may be sure the war is soon going to enter a phase of greater violence. Hitler's confederate, Mussolini, has reeled back in Libya, but the Germans, having absorbed Hungary and driven Rumania into frightful internal convulsions are now already on the Black Sea.

"A considerable German army and Air Force is being built up in Rumania and its forward tentacles have already penetrated Bulgaria with, we must suppose, the acquiescence of the Bulgarian Government.

The air-fields are being occupied by German ground personnel, numbering thousands so as to enable the German Air Force to come into action from Bulgaria.

"Many preparations have been made for the movement of German troops into or through Bulgaria and perhaps this forward movement has already begun.

Greater Violence

"Of course," continued Mr. Churchill, "if all Balkan peoples stood together and acted together, aided by Britain and Turkey, it would be many months before the German forces could be assembled in South-East Europe and in those months much might happen.

"Much will certainly happen, as American aid becomes effective and as our air power grows and as we become a well-armed nation and as our armies in the East increase in strength. Nothing more certain than, if countries in South-Eastern Europe allow themselves to be pulled to pieces, one by one, they will share the fate of Denmark, Holland and Belgium, and none can tell how long it will be before the hour of deliverance strikes.

"One of the difficulties is to convince these countries that we are going to win the war. We think it astonishing that they don't see it as clearly as ourselves.

"The Italian Quisling, called Mussolini, and the French Quisling, called Laval, are both, in different ways, trying to make their countries into vassals for Hitler and his New Order, hoping to be able to get the Nazis and the Gestapo to enforce their rule upon their fellow-countrymen.

Saying "we shall do our best to fight for the Central Mediterranean," Mr. Churchill referred to "the very significant air action over Malta a fortnight ago," and said that the Germans sent dive-bombers to Sicily which injured the aircraft-carrier *Illustrious* and, as this wounded ship was sheltering in Malta harbour, they concentrated upon it their entire force so as to beat it to pieces.

"They were attacking one of the best defended fortresses of the world against air attacks, the Fleet Air-Arm and the R.A.F. and, in two or three days, they lost out of 150 dive-bombers, upwards of ninety, 50 of which were destroyed in the air and forty on the ground.

Did Not Come Again

Although *Illustrious* in a damaged condition was one of the greatest prizes of air and naval war, the Germans accepted defeat and would not come any more. All necessary repairs were made to the *Illustrious* in Malta harbour and she steamed safely to Alexandria under her own power at 23 knots.

Mr. Churchill said he dwelt on this incident, not because it disposed of the danger in the Central Mediterranean, but in order to show that there, as elsewhere, we intended to give a good account of ourselves.

But, after all, the fate of this war may be settled by what happens on the oceans, in the air and, above all, in this island.

American Aid

It now seemed certain that the Government and people of the United States intended to supply us with everything necessary for victory.

Mr. Churchill recalled that, in the last war, the United States sent two million men across the Atlantic. But this was not a war of immense armies, fighting immense shells at one another. We don't need the gallant armies which are forming throughout American Union. We don't need them this year or next year or, as far as I can foresee, in any year. But we do need most urgently, an immense and continuous supply of war materials and technical apparatus of all kinds.

Dill Warning

Concluding his broadcast, the Premier referred to the warning given to him by General Dill that Hitler may be forced to try to invade the British Isles in the near future.

"We are naturally working night and day, and we are getting everything ready. We are stronger than ever before — stronger than last August and September.

I have the greatest confidence in the Commander-in-Chief at Home, General Brooke, but most of all I put my faith in the simply resolve to conquer or die which is inspiring and inspiring nearly four million Britons with serviceable weapons in their hands.

Words Of Caution

"It is not an easy military operation to invade Britain and to face what is waiting for the invader here.

"There is one word of caution, though, which I must give. Hitler thought that when France gave in, we should give in. We did not give in, and he had to think again.

"Any invasion now will be supported by much more carefully prepared equipment of landing craft, which he must have planned during the winter. We must all be prepared to meet gas attacks, parachute attacks and other plans which have been made with practised skill.

"The British Empire and the whole English-speaking world will be on Hitler's tracks, bearing with them the sword of justice. No sudden shock of battle will shake us and we will finish the job." — *Reuter*

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TO-MORROW **"BEAU GESTE"**

WENDELL WILLKIE KEEPS SILENT ON FINDINGS

ABOUT 200 PEOPLE greeted Mr. Wendell Willkie as he disembarked from the Dixie Clipper at the North Beach Airport yesterday after his trip to England.

Talking to reporters immediately on alighting, Mr. Willkie said he was "very much impressed by the unity of the British people."

When asked whether he had the same conclusions on aid to Britain as before his departure from the United States, Mr. Willkie replied, "My view as how the matter should be handled has been affected and modified by what I have seen."

Mr. Willkie added that he was deferring any statement on the subject until he appears before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, probably to-morrow.

Mr. Willkie parried all questions relating to Ireland, but told reporters eagerly how he had talked with "literally thousands" of people of all classes, who commented for him without restraint.

Mr. Willkie looked tired after his strenuous adventure but appeared happy and gratified with his contact with wartime Britain for whom he repeatedly expressed his admiration.—Reuter.

According to a message from New York, Mr. Wendell Willkie has arrived in the Dixie Clipper after his return journey from England via Lisbon.

Britain's Hopes

Mr. Wendell Willkie, is reported on arrival in U.S.A. on his return from Europe, to have said that he heard nobody in England express belief or anticipation that the United States would or should become "an active participant in war."

"Mr. Willkie is expected to appear before the Senate Foreign Relations committee on Thursday," — British Wireless.

'PUNISHED TOO MUCH'—FINED 1s.

Because she had been "punished too much" by being in prison three months awaiting trial, a Judge fined the German-born wife of a British soldier 1s. for a black-out offence.

The woman, Mrs. Frances Holland, of Grosvenor-place, Leeds, was facing her second trial at Leeds Assizes for the same offence. Earlier in the Assize, before Mr. Justice Cassels, the jury disagreed.

The second hearing was before Mr. Justice Tucker.

It was stated that her husband, whom she married while he was in the Army of Occupation in Germany, was now serving again as a sergeant-major and that one of her sons was in the Forces.

The prosecution said there was no suggestion that, in allowing the light to be shown, Mrs. Holland was attempting to help the enemy. The jury must not be influenced by the knowledge that she had been born in German territory.

Mr. Justice Tucker told her: "You have been punished quite enough for this offence by having been in prison three months. In fact, I think, too much. But you have been very foolish and you have only yourself to thank for that."

"I shall fine you 1s., and when you have paid that, you can go."

CONVICTS COMBAT MALARIA

Important work is being carried out, beyond the prison walls, by short-term prisoners of Stanley Prison.

They have been engaged in anti-malarial work at Tylam and in the newly established military areas in that neighbourhood.

Others have been sent as far afield as Cape D'Aguilar where similar work has been undertaken.

Just outside the prison walls, the prisoners have worked on two acres of land which is now producing various kinds of vegetables for prison consumption.

Inside the prison hollow concrete blocks are being produced by two concrete block-making machines newly acquired. Concrete blocks used in building A.R.P. shelters in the prison were all "locally" produced.

The two machines are capable of producing 200 concrete blocks every day.

WOUNDED NURSE RESCUED MEN

Though injured herself, a young nurse made two journeys through a wrecked and burning hospital to carry two elderly male patients to safety.

She is Miss Elizabeth Scully, twenty-three, who was alone on night duty when a hospital in London received a direct hit for the second time since the blitz. Groping through the dust and debris, she ignored the pain of her injured ankle and cracked jokes with the patients, both of them heavy men, as she carried them to a shattered window where rescue workers helped them through.

The window was the only exit. Doors and passages were jammed with fallen masonry.

After she had seen them to safety Nurse Scully refused first-aid.

With A.F.S. men she returned to the wreckage to search for other victims.

Not until she was satisfied all were safe could she be persuaded to become a patient herself.

She was evacuated to a nearby hospital, where I met her.

"But it was nothing," she told me. "It was just what anyone would have done—my duty."

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Those remaining, about sixty in all, were saved.

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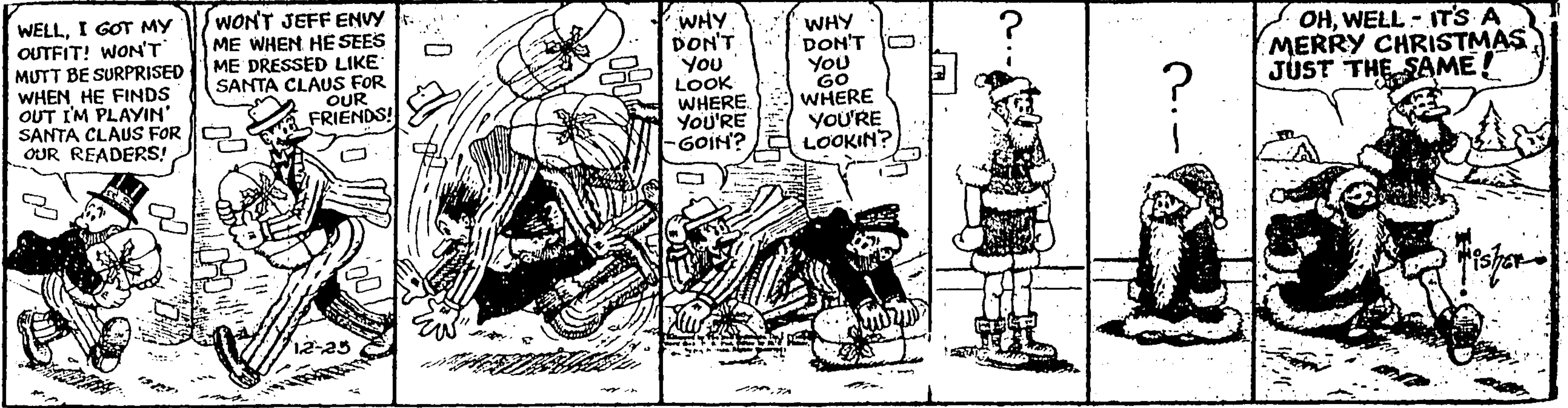
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MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



WAS OSUMI 'PLANE SHOT DOWN?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Japanese troops are closing in on Toumen in Chungshan county, where Admiral Osumi's 'plane fell on Huangyangshan.

The surrounding areas, where the giant bomber crashed, were bombed by Japanese 'planes in an effort to prevent the Chinese from reaching the wreckage, but two machine-guns of the 'plane, the sword of Admiral Baron Osumi and some documents were already removed.

Chow Fu-hai, Minister of Finance in the Nanking regime, stated in the Central China "Daily News" that the 'plane was shot down and lamented the death of Rear-Admiral Hokochoiro Suka, naval adviser of the Nanking regime. — International News Agency.

COL. DONOVAN IN CAIRO

Colonel Donovan, President Roosevelt's personal envoy, arrived in Cairo yesterday from Palestine. — Reuter.

GENERAL DENTZ GOING TO DAMASCUS

General Dentz, the French High Commissioner in Syria and Lebanon, is going to Damascus for a long stay, according to the Jerusalem correspondent of the independent French news agency.

TWO NAZI 'PLANES SHOT DOWN

Two German aircraft were destroyed yesterday. One enemy bomber was shot down into the sea off the East coast by our fighters.

A Heinkel 111 type which approached one of our convoys in the North Sea was promptly shot down into the sea by H.M.S. Pytchley.—British Wireless.

NAZIS MAN DANISH WARSHIPS

Danish torpedo-boats have been flying the German flag and have been manned by Germans since Wednesday, states the Stockholm newspaper, "Dagens Nyheter," in Stockholm yesterday.

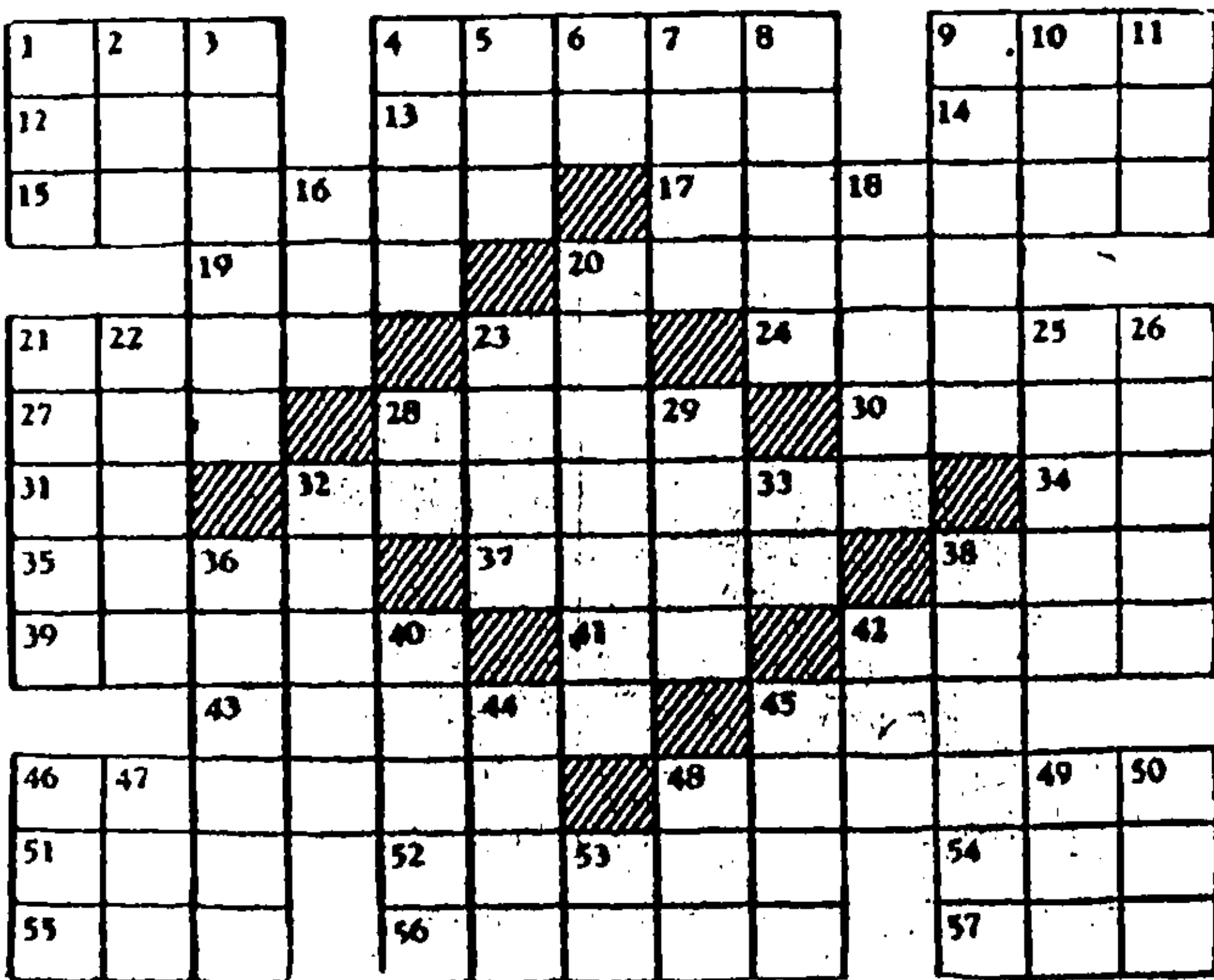
This follows reports circulating in Stockholm during the past week that Germans had taken over Danish torpedo-boats and submarines.

The newspaper says that the torpedo-boats are intended for operating in the Baltic and for use in training, but adds that there is no question of taking over the submarines.

"This is the first serious breach of the original conditions laid down at the time of the German occupation comments the "Dagens Nyheter."

The Germans, it adds, are systematically obtaining the removal of Cabinet members with the object of eventually having a Ministry in Copenhagen possessing the confidence of the King and the people but at the same time willing to yield to German demands.—Reuter.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



HORIZONTAL

- 1 To knock lightly
- 4 Pronoun
- 9 Constellation
- 12 Girl's name
- 13 Boiling tool
- 14 Container
- 15 To join
- 17 Sensitive
- 18 To yield
- 20 City in Switzerland
- 21 Physiology
- 23 Land measure
- 24 To furnish
- 27 Ember
- 28 Inlet
- 30 Pertaining to acropnea
- 31 Proposition
- 32 Witty person
- 34 Pronoun
- 35 To deal in
- 37 Glacial ridges
- 38 Meadow
- 39 Food fish
- 41 Symbol for tridium
- 42 Furnace
- 43 To make friends

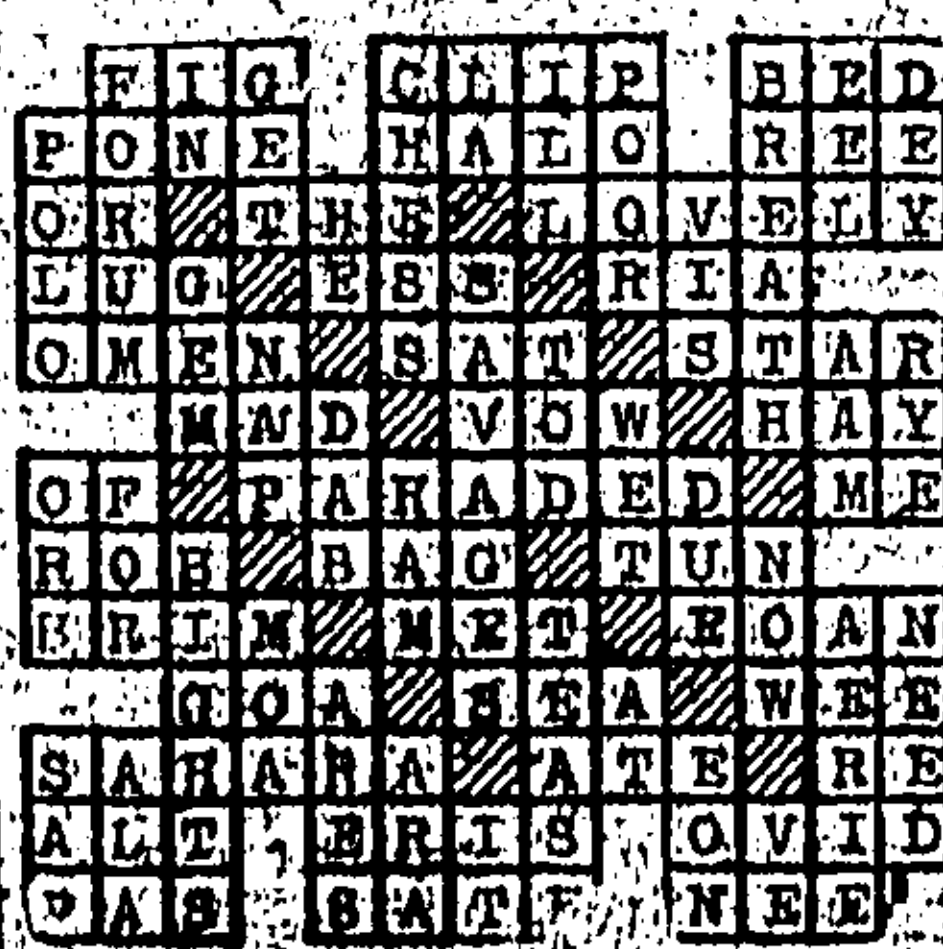
VERTICAL

- 1 Dervish's cap
- 2 Flurry
- 3 Abdomen
- 4 Diplomacy
- 5 Colour
- 6 King of Bashan
- 7 Bristle
- 8 Eaten away
- 9 To agree
- 10 Cheer
- 11 Some
- 16 By birth

VERTICAL

- 18 Pertaining to a bone of the arm
- 20 Golf club
- 21 Opera by Gounod
- 22 Turkish unit of money
- 23 Japanese aborigine
- 25 Bay window
- 26 Chief Norse god
- 28 Symbol for ruthenium
- 29 Heavenly body
- 32 God of the underworld
- 33 Comparative ending
- 36 Shaped masses
- 38 Flowerless plant
- 40 Evidence
- 43 Outfit
- 44 Roman emperor
- 45 To cloy
- 46 Babylonian war god
- 47 Pleasant brood
- 48 Lettuce genus
- 49 Fruit drink
- 50 Evergreen tree
- 53 To depart

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION



WEDDING DAY HITCH

Mrs. Barbara Lucy Thomas, who was to have married Second Lieutenant the Hon. Peter Aitken, second son of Lord Beaverbrook, spent the week-end at an hotel in Woking.

The wedding was arranged for 11 a.m. at Chelsea register office. One guest, the superintendent registrar, and the registrar of marriages waited until the afternoon. Neither the bride nor the bridegroom turned up.

A reporter traced Mrs. Thomas to an hotel in Woking.

She refused to say whether the wedding had been postponed or was definitely broken off. Nor would she tell who was responsible for its not taking place.

The night before the wedding, Mr. Aitken and Mrs. Thomas were driving near Bromley, Kent. Their car was involved in a slight accident there.

Mrs. Thomas, who is thirty, was formerly the wife of Mr. Albert Llewellyn Thomas, a dance-band musician. He was granted a divorce in January this year after proceedings in which Mr. Aitken was cited as co-respondent.

Mr. Aitken, who was described in the licence as a Second Lieutenant, Royal Fusiliers, is twenty-nine. His former wife, the Hon. Mrs. Janet Murrays Aitken, formerly Miss MacNeill, was granted a divorce in June, 1938.

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DAWN TRYST HONOURS DEAD SAILOR

EACH DAY AT DAWN British residents in Buenos Ayres plant fifteen Union Jacks on the grave of a 21-year-old British gunner who died from wounds received in the glorious Battle of the River Plate.

Each dawn, too, fresh gladioli are laid over the deep bed of ivy which covers the grave.

And as dusk falls there is a simple ceremony before these tributes to the heroism of Britain's seamen are put in safe keeping.

The grave is that of Gunner James Thomas Frederick, who fought on the cruiser Exeter when, with the cruisers Ajax and Achilles, she crippled the pocket-battleship Graf Spee.

Gunner Frederick died in the British hospital in Buenos Ayres. Now his grave is to become the permanent memorial to the British seamen killed in the action.

A special stone, commemorating the names of his dead comrades, is to be set at the head of that ivy-covered grave.

And an account of the action which ended in the scuttling of the German warship will be cut under the roll of honour.

Gunner Frederick was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Frederick, of Canton, Cardiff.

PILOT WHO TWICE BALED OUT

Five fighter pilots who have "baled out" by parachute, visited a factory in Britain during the week-end to thank the men and women who made their parachutes.

One after another, the pilots climbed on a table to tell their experiences when they jumped out and each said, rather nervously, "Thank you for saving my life."

One pilot, describing his sensations during his first parachute jump, said: "I began to float down and the sensation is absolutely wonderful. There was the North Sea below and a little ship."

"I saw my plane crash into the sea and I was very sorry. I began to breathe very deeply as I reached the sea in case I went under. As I hit the water I pressed the button which threw off my parachute harness and in a couple of seconds I was swimming round and enjoying myself."

Then a little boat came out from the ship and picked me up.

The second time I had to jump when over London. I thought, 'Well here we are again, I have done it before; it is easy this time. I duly landed, quite comfortably, in a blackberry bush. I picked myself up and found a rifle muzzle levelled at my head, but made myself known and was taken to hospital.—British Wireless.

BRITAIN'S SHIPS OF FUTURE

(By A Correspondent)

Ships of the future may be built of aluminium and navalium — an alloy containing a preponderance of aluminium — especially if a cheaper method of extracting aluminium from clay can be found.

Even if navalium were to cost three times the price of steel, I am informed, future ships would be built with the alloy, as the structural savings would be enormous owing to its lightness.

Already, aluminium is being used more and more in ship construction.

In a cruiser as much as 200 tons may be saved in weight by the substitution of aluminium alloy for brass or sheet steel in many parts of the ship which do not have to resist stress.

Pioneer Work

The British shipbuilding industry has done pioneer work in the use of aluminium.

Several small vessels of the yacht type have been constructed of aluminium alloy with satisfactory results.

The alloy, however, has never

SPITFIRE RAMS A BOMBER

A Spitfire rammed a Heinkel heavy bomber in mid-air during an enemy raid over a south-east town. The Spitfire tore off one of the Heinkel's wings and both machines crashed out of control. The four men of the bomber crew and the Spitfire pilot were killed.

The plane came down at Buckland, midway between Sittingbourne and Faversham, Kent.

There was a burst of flames as the machines crashed, and as firemen ran towards them, bombs exploded and killed one of them. Another fireman was injured and died later.

When the raider suddenly appeared from the clouds over the town, it was immediately attacked by Spitfires and made off with three of our fighters rapidly overhauling it.

All three fighters were able to get in bursts of machine-gun fire as the raider raced for safety.

The last to attack was a sergeant-pilot. He came up, overtaking at high speed, from directly astern.

His fellow-pilots saw his Spitfire fly straight into the Heinkel and both aircraft crashed in flames.

Fireman P. Nash, of the Sittingbourne A.F.S., told a reporter: "I saw the Heinkel turn and make tracks towards the coast, and then three of our fighters appeared from nowhere full speed after it."

"One of them dropped down from above the bomber and flew straight into his wing. It was a glorious act. I saw the wing leave the plane, and what was left of the Heinkel fell locked with our fighter."

The fireman who was killed was Second Officer A. T. Beaumont, of the Faversham Brigade. Leading Fireman C. S. Davey, of Faversham A.F.S., died shortly after admission to hospital.

MR. W. J. KESWICK ARRIVES IN H.K.

Mr. W. J. Keswick, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, who was wounded recently in Shanghai by the President of the Japanese Rate-Payers' Association, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday on the President Monroe, together with his wife.

It is understood that Mr. Keswick is proceeding to Manila, after a rest in the Colony, on February 15, by the President Coolidge and will return in the same vessel to Shanghai.

AN ENGAGEMENT

At a gathering at her residence, No. 788, Nathan Road, yesterday, Mrs. Rose Jong, wife of Mr. P. F. Jong, of Massachusetts, America, announced the engagement of her second son, Frank King, to Miss Mary Tai, the eldest daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. B. Tai, of No. 25, Shek Mei Mei Street.

Chan Hung-hi, was today fined \$15 or two weeks by Comm. T. C. Stitt, Marine Magistrate, for unlawful boarding of the Tjibadak.

been used in the main structural parts of ships other than those of the smallest size.

In merchant ship construction, the most extensive use of the alloy so far has been in the building of the deck-houses of the Norwegian motor-ship Fernplant, where a saving of 30 tons was effected.

NAZIS SHORT OF WAGONS

Nazi Germany is experiencing acute transport difficulties because of a vital shortage of railway wagons. This is revealed in reports reaching Britain.

Railway freight transport depends almost entirely on wagons, and any severe shortage will mean not only a desperate situation for war transport, but also the hold-up, or complete stoppage, of work in factories.

Unlike British Railways, the Reichsbahn has been neglected and starved of renewals ever since the Nazi party came to power.

Acute Shortage

Shortly before the war it was stated officially in Germany that £300,000,000 would have to be spent to bring the Reichsbahn up to date.

The results of this neglect and the overloading of German railways through the demands of the tremendous Nazi war machine are now beginning to show themselves in accidents and broken-down railway wagons.

In fact, the shortage of wagons, which is one of the most important features of railway transport in war time, has now become critical in Germany.

Every device is being employed by the Reich Minister of Transport to conserve and obtain the maximum use of railway wagons. According to Nazi newspaper reports, the long-distance transport of certain commodities, such as bread, milk, beer and building materials, is being restricted or even forbidden.

"Germany's wagon problem may have an important effect on her whole war effort," said a British railway official.

"The situation should act as a warning to traders in this country to keep our factories going at top pressure," added the official.

IRAQ'S POLICY

IRAQ'S BEST POLICY IS TO KEEP OUT OF THE WAR, SAID THE NEW IRAQI PRIME MINISTER, GENERAL TAHA EL HASIMI PASHA, ADDRESSING THE IRAQI PARLIAMENT YESTERDAY AT BAGHDAD.

The Prime Minister added: "Our ally, Britain, has not submitted any demands which would involve us in the war. The Government intends to strengthen its friendship with our British ally. That friendship is based on mutual interest."—Reuters.

CHINA MAIL
WINDSOR HOUSE

THE BLACKMAILER

It was announced in London the other day that the British government had agreed at the "personal request" of President Roosevelt, to pass food and clothing for children in unoccupied France, provided that it was distributed under the direct supervision of the American Red Cross. So safeguarded, this is not an unreasonable arrangement. In so far as the American supplies can be substituted for what would otherwise have to be allotted to the French children, they provide the Nazis with just that much additional resources wherewith to blow British children out of their beds, to prolong the horrors of the Polish pogroms, to blast Greek peasants into fragments and to carry on all the other cultural activities of the Axis. Because the issue is preliminarily one of humanitarianism, one cannot neglect the essential human factors involved.

Happily, however, they are unlikely to bulk large under this particular plan. With Red Cross supervision, it seems probable that whatever supplies are sent will not only reach the children for whom they are intended, but will in the main be a supplement to rather than a substitute for what the children are now receiving. Carefully limited as it is, the arrangement does, in fact, appear to offer a means for getting a maximum amount of relief to the most poignant victims of the Nazi terror while affording a minimum of aid toward the prolongation and intensification of the terror itself. If all the large, loose, sentimental schemes for "feeding Europe" had been conceived with an equal care and an equally realistic appreciation of the factors involved, they might have accomplished far more in terms of actual human welfare than they have accomplished.

Here is a plan within the realm of the practical and the genuinely humane, and Britain has acceded to it. Perhaps it is no more than any civilized government would have done. But one cannot help noting that Britain, in affording this relief to French children, is asking nothing in return. Our own children are being bombed and blasted, mangled physically and mentally. Britain might well insist on making the price of help for

It Takes Months To Train A Pilot

By William Gibbons

It was once said to me that our pilots had a "superiority complex" when they went up either to tackle Nazi raiders or go off on bombing expeditions. Machine for machine, it was a fairly even match! but man for man, the British pilot had a decided pull. I asked the reason for this. "Because our boys have a much more thorough schooling," I was told. I accepted that explanation. And now, having watched some of these boys being put through the mill, I am quite convinced.

Only a few hours at an R.A.F. training school sufficed to show me how much hard work has to be done by these potential pilots before they earn their coveted wings. From the time they get into uniform and are taught the rudiments of flying to the stage when they have graduated, it is one long cramming.

It isn't just the knowledge of flying that an R.A.F. pilot must acquire. That would be relatively simple. No, he must learn the whole alphabet of aeronautics and the thousand-and-one details involved.

A Stiff Course

His training extends over a period of eight months. The novice has to pass through a stiff curriculum before he becomes a qualified pilot.

Having passed his medical test, he is posted to an initial training wing, where for eight weeks he is drilled into a fit man and attends lectures—but no flying. When he leaves he feels he is cut out for the job.

So, on to the Elementary Flying School, where he puts in 50 hours. His bent is soon discovered by the instructors, and he is graded either as a fighter or bomber pilot—or a failure, in which case he has an opportunity of going into another section of the Service.

Thus far, he has learned sim-

ple flying in a single-engine plane, and he advances to the Intermediate Training Squadron. It is here that he undergoes the most vital training over a period of many weeks. They are weeks of full hours, a revival of school class-room days that mean matriculation to the next and highest college of R.A.F. preparation.

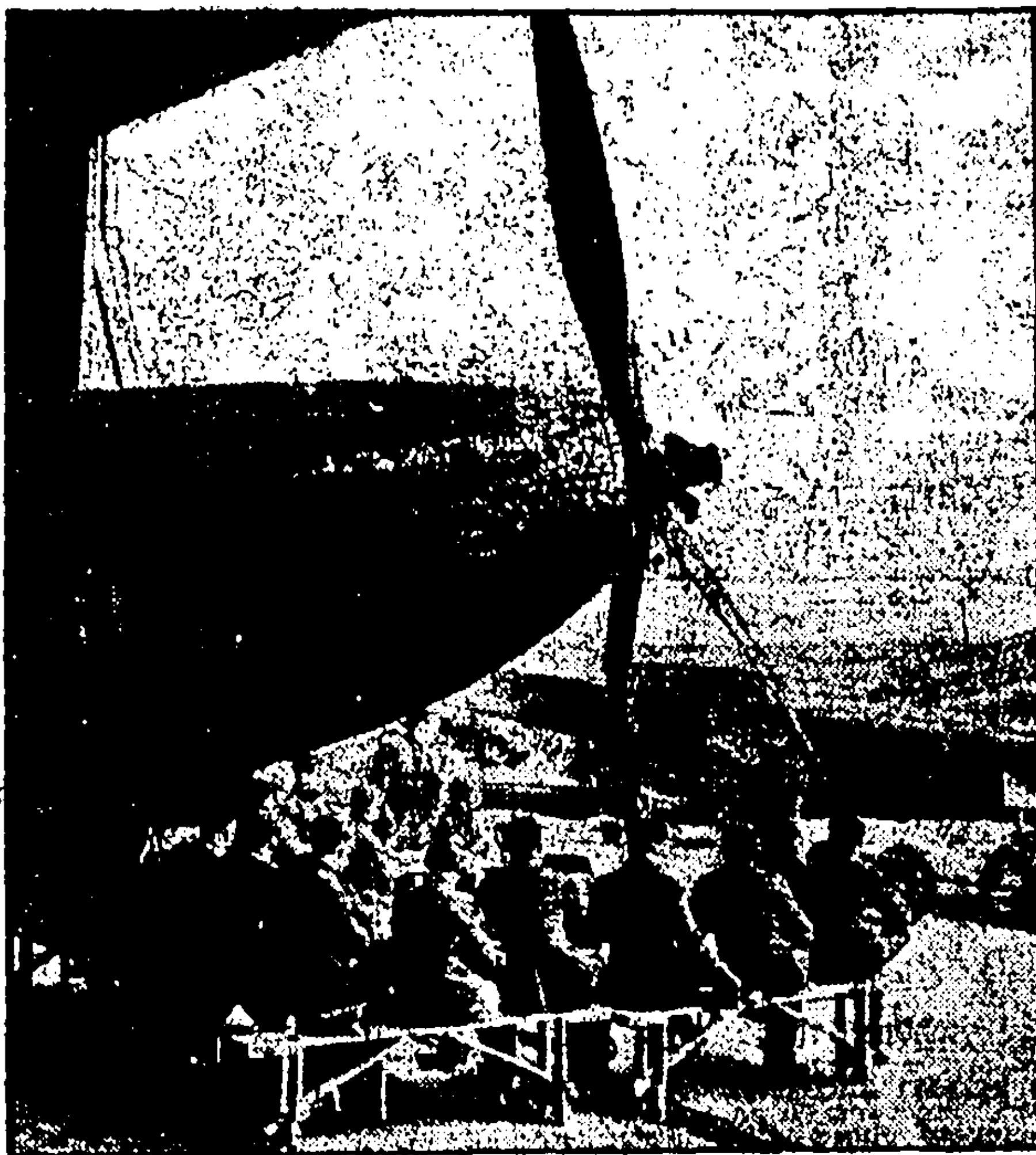
The twin-engine plane is mastered, and the airman, now virtually a qualified pilot, goes on to the Operational Training Unit for his final instructions to familiarise

himself with the particular bomber plane he is to fly.

First Lessons

Yes, simple it may seem. But what does it all entail? Before the aspiring airman is admitted to the Service he has to go through a stiff medical examination. Nerve tests are carried out—sharp raps with a hammer on nerve centres in the legs, arms and stomach.

Now to the real business. Or is it? The Initial Training Wing may be a little boring to any but the most enthusiastic student.



PRACTICAL LESSON for our airmen—a class in progress at an R.A.F. training school.

There's no flying; no excitement about it.

Comes the next stage when the men have their first taste of flying in light service aircraft, lectures on simple navigation, air-manship, engines, and theory of flight. That, of course, embraces the mastery of the controls—rudder and "joy stick."

It is the combination of these controls that is an important part of the teaching.

The first lessons learned, the pilot goes to the Intermediate Training Squadron, where he meets a twin-engine plane for the first time. He must polish up his air-manship, "road" manners in the air, and learn how to get the best out of his craft, which alone forms a distinct study.

Then there's night flying. He must know how to request permission to land, and how to do it, and what to do in the case of forced landings. There are the principles of reconnaissance work, bombing, the use of machine-guns, and meteorology, in addition to the highly complex subject of navigation.

One of the most interesting "teachers" I saw at this school was the link trainer, in which the pupil has ten hours blind flying and blind landings. The size of a small car, with wings and rudder, the link trainer, is static, with all the controls and instruments of an aeroplane.

Tricky Controls

The pupil is thus taught by instruments how to fly blind. He sits in the cockpit and operates the controls as he would in the air.

If the "joy stick" is pulled too far back, the speed indicator will fall until the speed at which the plane would stall is reached. And if the rudder is incorrectly moved, the instruments will show that the "plane" is in a spin!

The "course" of the pupil is recorded on a chart by an instrument coupled electrically to the "plane," and this reacts to any operation made by the pilot. All the time the instructor is in communication with the airman by microphone.

Bombing calls for a high note of accuracy, and the airman has an opportunity of attaining this through the medium of the bomb-sighting apparatus. As you probably know, when bombs are dropped from a height of, say, 10,000 feet, they are not released when the plane is directly over the target, or they'd miss it. The speed of the aircraft and the wind must come into the reckoning, and here the all-important bomb sights come into it.

The pupil has a sight in a dark room at the training squadron, arranged over a movable map, and on the instructions of his teacher he "drops" a bomb on a target, and a small light records the hit, or miss, as the case may be. Altogether, the pilot has 20 hours of this ground instruction before he bombs from the air, and here again he has no mis-siles.

Ready For Battle

There are several courses in navigation in the air. The first is a flight across country, solo, to an aerodrome 100 miles away, and back; the second a cross-country triangular flight of 200 miles, with the pilot, steering the course and the navigator directing him; the third is the same as the first, except that at least 250 miles are covered; the fourth, a skeleton map flight of 200 miles over a triangular course; and the fifth the same as the fourth, but of 300 miles.

Meantime, the pilot has put in arduous practice—25 rounds of range firing, a camera and cine-gun, not bullets!—formation flying, which demands intense concentration, as you can well imagine, learning the construction and maintenance of his aircraft, studying meteorology, so that he may be able to anticipate weather changes, radio telephony, and signalling.

By now he is the proud possessor of his wings, and ready for the final phase of his training. At the Operational Training Unit, he has to undergo advanced bombing and gunnery instruction, and ac-custom himself to the type of plane he is going to fly in battle—the culmination of months' intensive study and schooling.

Can Italy Feed Her People?

WHILE recent food restrictions will not cause the Italians to die from hunger, nevertheless they are sufficient to make life uncomfortable.

What is the truth behind this newspaper report?

Two months before the war broke out I walked on foot through Northern Italy. Let me record what I saw, compare it with the few facts that have since leaked through to our Press, and try to draw an accurate, balanced conclusion.

To begin with, much of the land is divided into very small holdings farmed by a single family. From such households all the available young manhood was already in uniform as long ago as June, 1939, lounging at every corner, and is now actively

French children free and safe passage, for example, of British children to America. But it never occurs to anybody to suggest that some such arrangement should be made a part of the plan. It never even enters one's head that Britain might use the kind of blackmail in human misery which the Nazis have brought to a high art. So every one busies himself in plans to pay off the Nazi black-maller, meanwhile letting the Nazi bombs fall where they may on those too old-fashioned to resort to such methods.

In Hitler's infinite perception that ordinarily decent people would react in this way lies a chief reason for his successes.

engaged on foreign service.

Fertile Land

The soil is cultivated by old women, old men, young boys and children from the early ages of eight and nine.

And the hours they work? Well, we were on the road at five o'clock in the morning to evade the midday sun; we passed

By K.R. Walford

girls already singing in the fields. We swung our packs in the late evening: old women, old men and children were everywhere at work.

And the land itself? The implements and stock?

Owing to a system of small agricultural credits, which has flourished for 30 years, the land had been scientifically developed and is consequently very fertile. Mainly divided into small plots, every inch is frugally cultivated.

Beneath the abundant fruit trees flourish rows of vegetables, leguminous crops and small fruit; not a foot is left unutilized. High up the steep Ligurian mountains, plateau upon plateau, of olive groves are carved from the dour hillsides.

But the instruments are very crude: hand tools; single ploughs; light, mule-drawn carts; very little large-scale machinery.

And the animals are poorer still. The inevitable goat seems always rascally hungry; the ribs of the draught mule stick through its hide as it is flayed to exert more energy; where horses and cows flourish on the occasionally larger farms their condition varies, but seldom can they be said to bloom; and every blade of grass is eaten flat.

That is the picture that meets the traveller on foot. Hardship, hard fare and hard work such as England has not seen in this generation.

Wheat, beans and olive oil are the staple home-grown foods of Italy. It is part of Fascist autarchy to make the country self-sup-

porting through these three forms of carbohydrate, protein and fat.

Three years ago the wheat crop was inadequate to produce good bread, which was consequently diluted with corn flour, making it heavy and indigestible, though it must be admitted that it gave a sense of repletion!

In the winter of 1938-1939 one of the major defeats of Mussolini's regime was on this question of bread, when riots among the population forced the Government to improve its quality. But it was still bad in the summer of 1939, and the present "war loaf" consists of a mixture of corn, rice and maize flour. As a result diseases of malnutrition and epidemics of typhoid are indirectly referred to by the present Italian Press through paragraphs of advice on their treatment. So much for wheat.

Little Meat

A new hardship has been added this winter. Authoritative reports inform us that the olive oil crop this year has been a remarkably poor one. Not only are both oil and its substitutes now rationed, but the price has increased from six to fourteen lire a quart, thus placing it beyond the reach of quite a large percentage of the population. It seems safe to assume that a diet of at least a part of the working people will be deficient in fat this winter.

The only crops that seem to hold their own, both in quantity and quality, are the leguminous plants, beans and peas. These will probably provide Italy's chief protein this winter.

In the last war, the major Italian defeat, the battle of Caporetto, was lost, not through inferior military prowess, but because the soldiers were suffering from a deficiency of vitamin B, and therefore had "no stomach for the fight."

But the civil population, as well as an army, works "on its stomach." Unless by military conquest the Italian armies can reinforce the food front at home, those old men, women and children that compose her agricultural population will either be unable to carry on or may spring a surprise on the world.

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NAZIS MAY BE PLANNING AN INVASION COUP

A STATEMENT BY GEN. KABISCH IN THE "KOELNISCHE ZEITUNG," EMPHASISED THE VIEW THAT THE WAR COULD BE WON FOR GERMANY ONLY BY THE GERMAN ARMY, AND DISCOUNTED THE ULTIMATE POWER OF THE AIR FORCE.

This remark is of the greatest importance at the present time because it comes just when that part of the year is approaching when the weather ordinarily interferes most with air operations.

It may be that the Germans, finding their air force incapable of piercing the Royal Air Force defences or of shutting down our aerodromes, are turning to the possibilities of invasion without air preparation.

It would be a daring plan and in sharp contrast to Nazi war doctrine as revealed hitherto.

Though it seems at first sight to be unlikely, the possibility must be envisaged that the German command, having found the Luftwaffe unable to overcome the Royal Air Force, may make an invasion attempt at a time when air operations on both sides are sharply restricted by weather.

Dense Fog

In commercial aviation the weather has often been known to shut down flying for three and four days on end. At such a time when there is dense fog, the Royal Air Force could play little or no part in destroying invading troops. The operation would become one between armies and navies.

Only naval and military specialist can say whether such a plan is workable. But both sides must be well aware of the limitations placed upon air support during dense fog.

It is true that directly the weather cleared the Royal Air Force would at once come into action again on the fullest scale; but the Germans have a strong belief that their troops, once well installed at a point, can hold on in face of the heaviest air bombardment.

The lesson of the Royal Air Force bombings of Stavanger must not be lightly dismissed. Here German troops dug themselves in and in spite of frequent and exceedingly heavy bombing, they stayed there. Moreover, every time our pilots went out and blew the runways to bits, the Germans turned to repairing them at high speed.

Reckless Scheme

When disciplined and tough troops are dug in at a point,

they are difficult to shift by aerial bombardment alone. It is a point that might influence the German command in some reckless and revolutionary scheme of invasion without air support. The aim might be to rush the defences under cover of fog and mist and to hope that key points might be seized and anti-aircraft guns installed in time to enable them to be held against the aerial bombardment which would begin directly the weather cleared.

It is, of course, clear that such an attempt would be breaking all the tactical rules; but the Germans have shown themselves completely uninfluenced by historical theory in their movements.

IT KEEPS THEM OCCUPIED

"Rules of Conduct" are being circulated secretly among people in occupied France.

Here are some of them: • "If a shop displays a sign 'German spoken here,' buy your groceries elsewhere."

"If there is a curfew for 11 p.m., do not worry. You can go home and listen to the English broadcast."

"Do not fear the noisy German. His boots and spurs betray his presence. But beware of the quiet civilian Nazi who

THE MOST PERILOUS JOB IN THE AIR

Launching torpedo attacks from seaplanes or aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm is one of the most hazardous and exacting jobs a pilot can be called on to undertake.

It calls for special training, quite apart from bombing training, and courage of the highest order.

The pilots of the torpedo-carrying aircraft who raided Taranto knew they would meet with the toughest opposition possible.

A pilot about to launch a torpedo attack must be totally oblivious to what is going on around him in the form of defence. A split-second of miscalculation would result in the torpedo nose-diving to the bottom of the sea. The pilot might have to come down to 150ft.

The greatest difficulty lies in being able to get down low enough to achieve the shallow angle necessary to launch the torpedo successfully. Once it is released from the plane the torpedo operates on the same principle as torpedoes released from destroyers and submarines.

The death-dealing Swordfish planes would probably come in over Taranto at 10,000ft., drop flares to illuminate their targets, then come down in a steep dive.

The torpedoes would be released at varying heights of from 500ft. to 150ft. in the fraction of a second that the aircraft were on an even keel after their dive.

Installs himself in the flat above you with his wife and family." Finally, this appears:

"This document cannot be bought. Copy it out and pass it on to your friends — this is a good occupation for occupied Frenchmen."

DIAMONDS BOOM AS WELL-TO-DO GO TO GROUND

(By A LONDON REPORTER)

MILLIONS OF POUNDS are being invested in diamonds by wealthy people in this country anxious to lock up their riches during the war, and so retain its value and balance afterwards.

That, in short, explains the diamond boom of recent months.

Hatton Garden, Mecca of this international "currency," has not experienced such transactions before. Since the Government imposed its ban on all big jewellery leaving the country they have been the highspots of financial bargaining.

War and extensive investment — it cannot be called speculation — are concomitant. It happened in 1914-18, though not on such a big scale as to-day; and it will continue while the diamond rules the international market.

The magnitude of this buying is shown by the fact that in the vaults of one London safe deposit company, which was bombed recently, diamonds to the value of several million pounds had been lodged.

One merchant alone had a deposit of diamonds for clients amounting to £250,000.

There are obvious reasons why people are buying small cut brilliants rather than sapphires, emeralds, rubies, antiques, pictures and postage stamps. The diamond is imperishable — in these days probably the most important factor;

it represents a fortune in infinitesimal space; it retains an international value and so is one of the safest investments.

All Safe

The risk of damage is negligible. I saw the wrecked premises of this safe deposit company, and in the midst of the debris and broken masonry were still intact the vaults and safes housing this vast fortune in diamonds.

There are, of course, big sales of other jewellery at well-known auction rooms. The last several days' sales of various jewellery at Christie's realised more than £76,000.

But are the rich pulling their weight in the nation's war effort? "No," says one diamond merchant to whom I spoke. "The first duty is to the country and their money should be invested in war savings."

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EFFECTS OF BOMB BLAST

Work which has been undertaken by the Research and Experiments Department of the Ministry of Home Security and observation of the damage done during air raids have shown that the danger arising from flying glass is considerable. While flying fragments of glass have not caused many deaths they have been responsible for a large proportion of the injuries reported when bombs have fallen among houses, and, as Lord Woolton has pointed out, for serious damage to food stocks.

Experience has proved that the blast of a bomb falling within 200ft may burst windows and cause a hail of broken glass driving dagger-like pieces into walls or even into tins containing food. Curtains and blinds will do very little to stop flying glass, though they may do something. Blocking up a window with a brick wall or sandbagging will not save glass unless the window is so completely blocked up as to be practically airtight. A strong black-out screen covered with building board, plywood, or thick cardboard gives good protection.

Materials stuck on glass have proved effective in preventing fragments flying, though they do not prevent windows from being broken. The cheapest and simplest material to use is cotton or linen fabric, stuck all over the glass with paperhanger's paste. Net curtain materials are also very good. Brown paper works well, but it must be tough and thick.

Flying Glass

Bracing devices to strengthen windows and so reduce the chance of their breaking have been tested, but it has not been found that any of them gives any appreciable increase in the resistance of the glass to blast from bombs. Plate glass windows 3-16in. thick or more, which are usually those of shop fronts, restaurants, and hotels, are prone to damage by blast because of their large areas, and the protection of the interior lit by the window is desirable. Small panes of plate glass are relatively strong but may fail by the frame breaking.

When a bomb explodes the direct pressure of the blast may force in the window, or the suction following the pressure pulse may pull it outwards. At greater distances reflections of the shock-wave may start strong vibrations in a window which happens to have the same natural frequency. Such a window may break when others close by are unharmed.

The minimum distance from an explosion at which plate glass will escape damage cannot be predicted, but with a 200ft. its chance of survival is small. Beyond that distance the chance depends on facts which include the size and the thickness of the pane, the frame fixing, the size of the bomb and the method of detonation, and, in particular, the reflection of the blast wave from adjacent buildings. The last factor is chiefly responsible for the apparently freakish fracture of windows.

When a pane breaks under severe blast, pieces may be scattered violently. It is not possible to foretell whether the pieces will fly inwards or outwards. When a pane breaks under distant blast, pieces generally fall inside and outside within a few feet.

It is desirable to fasten doors wide open during air raids and generally to open windows. On the general question whether windows which are open are less likely to be shattered than those which are closed much depends on the type of window, but as a rule the open window is less likely to suffer damage.

SERVICES IN THE DARK

In an attempt to defeat the black-out, which, last winter, cut his Sunday even-song congregations by more than a half, the Rector of Bridport, Canon Lindsay Bartlett, is continuing to hold the services at the usual time in a darkened church.

Instead of following the service from hymn books and prayer books the congregation will be led by lantern slides flashed on to a screen in the chancel.

"I hope by means of the lantern slide services to keep my congregation together and hold the service at six o'clock through the winter months," said the Canon. Hymns, anthems and prayers will all be shown on the screen from glass slides, and all lights in the church will be extinguished.

BRITAIN CAN BEAT BOMBS

Sir Cecil M. Weir, an executive member of the Export Council of the Board of Trade, said at Lincoln:

"We cannot go through the

CLEMENTI FAMILY TRAGEDY

A death and a wedding within 24 hours in the family of Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi are announced.

Their only son, Flying Officer C. M. Clementi, has married Miss Susan Pelham, youngest daughter of Sir Henry and Lady Pelham, of Westerham, Kent.

The day before the wedding, their youngest daughter, Miss Cecily Joyce Clementi, died in Park Prewett Hospital, near Basingstoke.

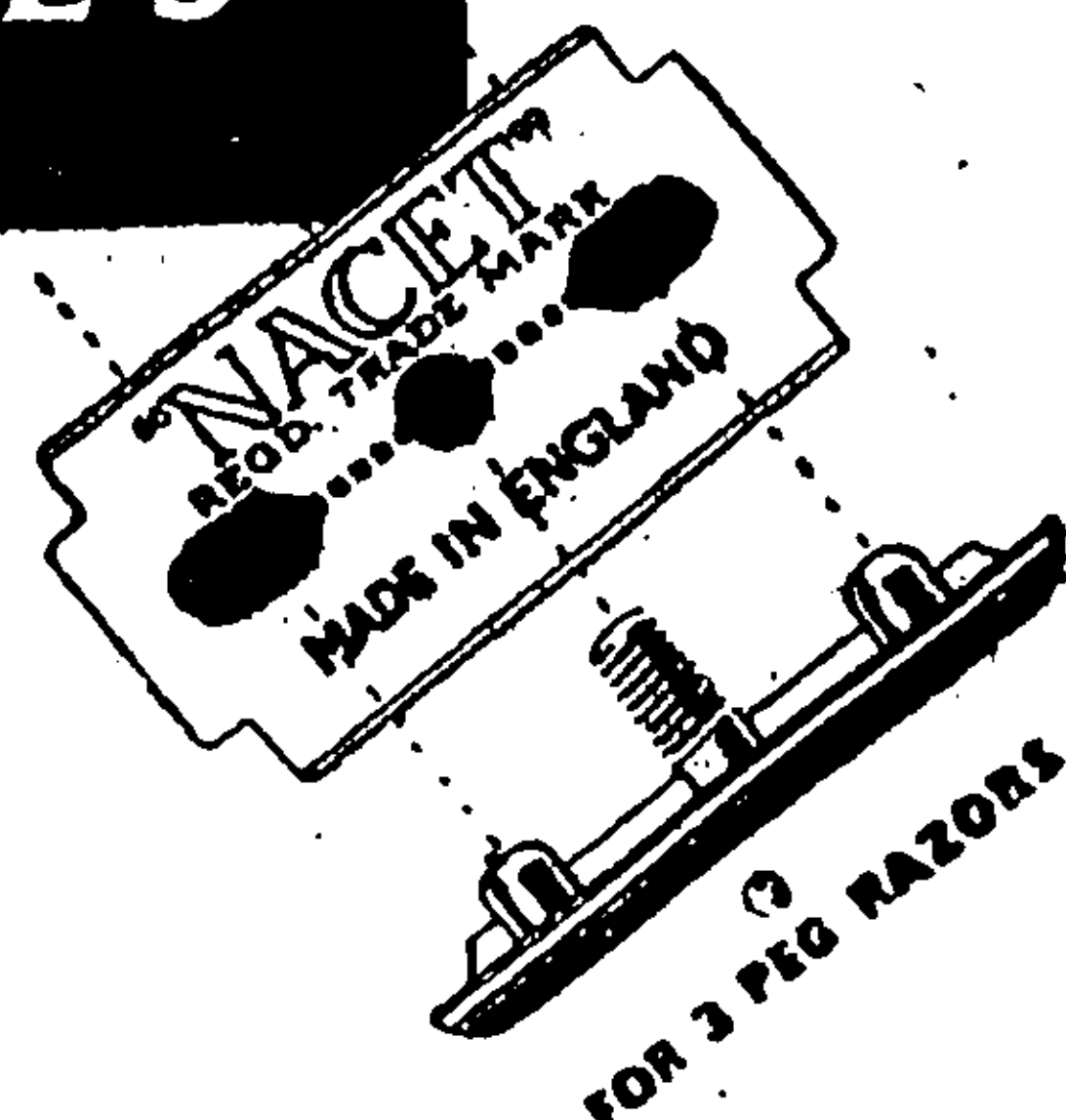
Sir Cecil, who lives at Holmer Green, Bucks., is a former governor of Hong Kong, former Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Straits Settlements and former High Commissioner for the Malay States.

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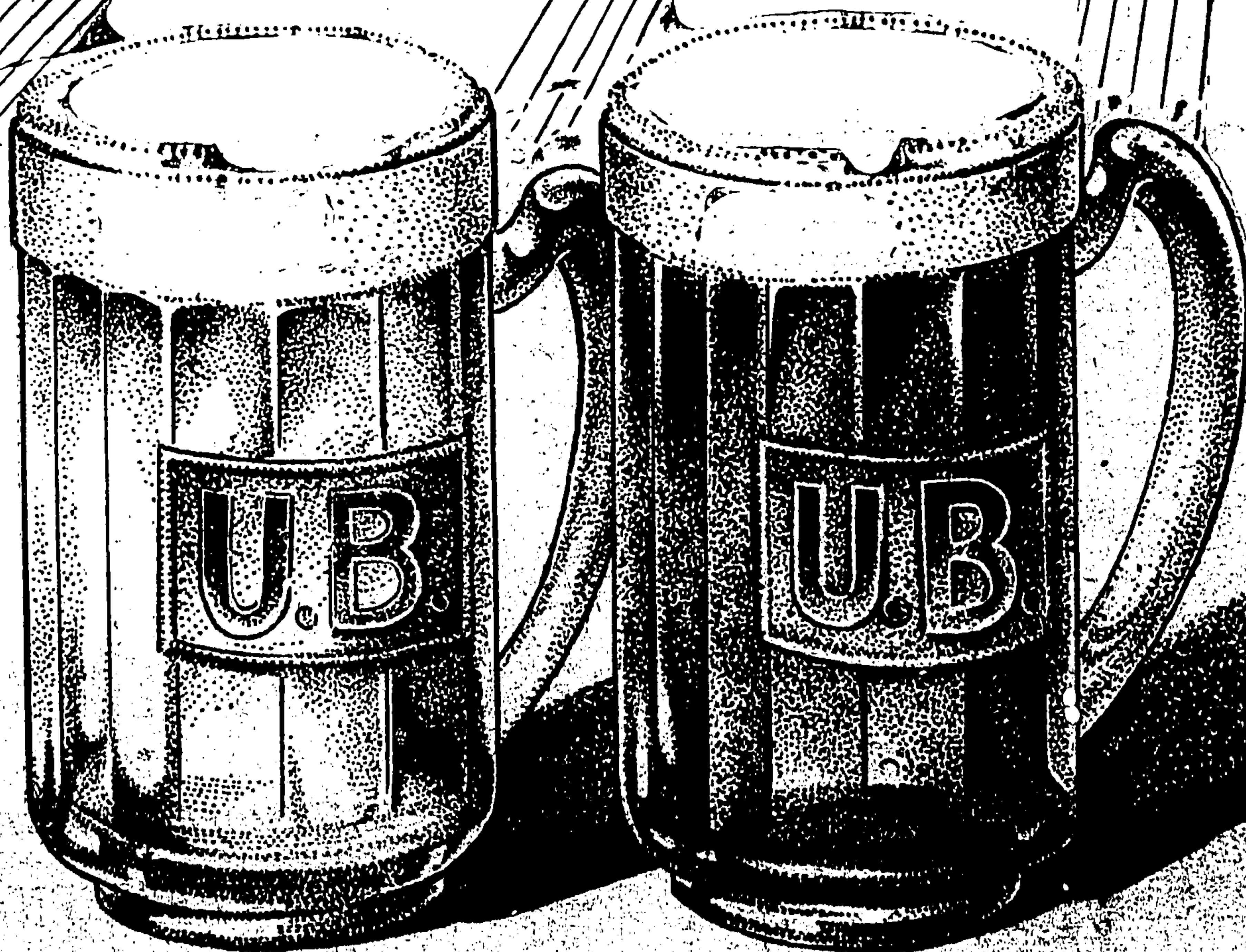
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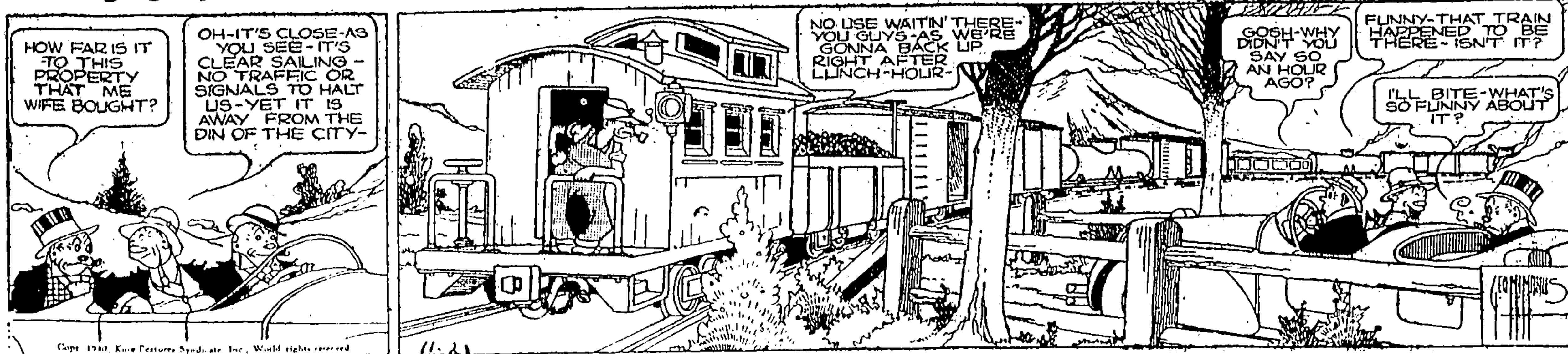
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Natural Rhythm For Body Health

All things in the world have natural rhythm and man is no exception. Our bodies were not created for violent exercises which destroy cell structure. If you watch an animal you will know what I mean. A seal sweeps through and out of the water in beautiful, rhythmical movements. A rabbit bounces along at great speed in rhythmic hops. And man can exercise in rhythmic movements too, to keep his body slimmer to normal proportions, and his muscles elastic for his biddings.

Women, and men too, must learn how to stretch. Therein lies the secret of scientific, streamlining of one's body.

First Stretch To Breathe

Few of us breathe deeply enough. We do not give our lungs sufficient air. Part of each lung is never exercised. Why? Simply because we have never learned to breathe correctly. We have never felt where fresh air should go in our lungs. So to begin our Stretching Series (which are given us through the courtesy of Doctor Howard V. Inches) we learn to-day how it feels to breathe correctly.

For Men And Women

This breathing exercise firms the pectoral muscles of the chest, fills the lungs to capacity thus supplying the body with much needed

oxygen, and helps to firm the muscles in the abdomen. Practice it every day of your life—it takes only a few moments each morning.

Stand in good posture, feet slightly apart, hands clasped tightly on the thighs as demonstrated by Miss Helen Parrish in the photograph.

Throw your shoulders slightly forward and breathe with the diaphragm forcefully as you press the hands as hard as possible against the thighs. You must feel a resultant pulling of the pectoral muscles (those supporting the breasts) and a definite expansion of the V which separates your ribs.

Once you feel your lungs fill with air repeat the exercise slowly and rotate your head from right to left as you inhale and exhale—keeping your shoulders held slightly forward.

This exercise is a very important one as it enlarges your lung capacity if practiced daily. Oxygen is so vital a part of good health that it is important to learn how to stretch in order to give the body all it requires.

The rotating of the head from left to right relieves head and neck congestion and prevents the abhorred dowager's hump.

This is Stretching Exercise 1 in a new series. Cut out the exercises as they appear so you may have the complete series.



HELEN PARRISH demonstrates a stretching exercise to attain correct breathing and a beautiful bust line.

For Greasy Complexion

The girl who has an over-relaxed, greasy complexion usually has enlarged pores and a sallow skin tone. To correct these ailments a good pore-rousing treatment is essential, and one of the most satisfactory is the old-fashioned oatmeal bag one which requires twelve days of unfailing routine. Here it is copied verbatim from an English book on skin care:

Cut twelve six-inch squares out of a piece of soft muslin. Get one cupful of ordinary oatmeal from any grocer, one eighth of a teaspoonful of powdered sulphur from a druggist, and one teaspoonful of finely shaved castile bar soap.

Add the powdered sulphur and castile soap to the oatmeal and stir thoroughly. Then put one tablespoonful of the mixture into each square of muslin and tie with a piece of string into a small bag.

Use one bag every evening for twelve consecutive days. Saturate it in warm water and rub the face until it is clean. Let the liquid dry on the skin. After two or three minutes rinse the face with warm water and then with cold water. Pat on the following lotion: ten drops of tincture of plain benzoin in one cupful of cold water. Let this dry.

The Next Morning

In the morning wash the face with a fresh starch-sterilised rub-

ber sponge and plenty of cold water. Use an astringent lotion foundation under your make-up in exactly the same tone as your skin. All cosmetic firms offer



Many a woman learns a lot about her husband from handwriting—especially when the writing is by somebody else.

foundation lotions so select one you like.

Two or three times during the day your face should be rinsed with plenty of chilled water and the make-up applied freshly. Never rinse your face until all old make-up has been thoroughly removed.

After the twelve-day oatmeal bag treatment, which may be repeated in six weeks if necessary, an oatmeal pack can be given as follows:

Facial Pack

Mix toilet oatmeal (which you can get from a first class grocer) with enough witch hazel to form a paste. Smear it over your face and leave it on for a quarter of an hour or longer. Rinse off with warm water, followed by cold water splashing.

Other Suggestions

Girls who have greasy skin should exercise every day without fail, keep their bowels moving freely, eat less of meats and greasy, rich foods, eat more of fruits and vegetables, and their juices, fish, some cheese and dairy products. No fried foods allowed at all. An occasional high-colic is beneficial if given by a professional nurse or a physician.

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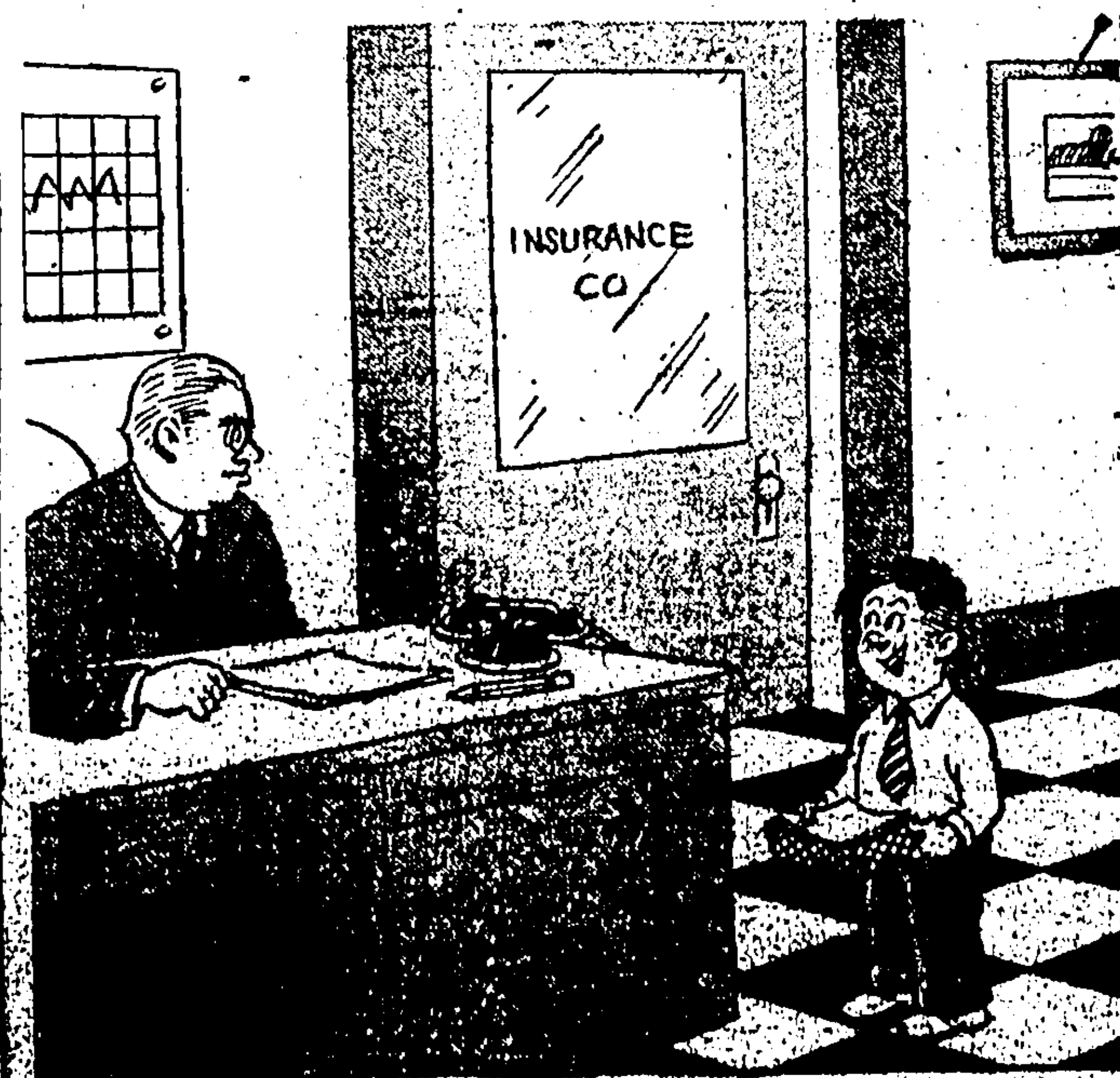
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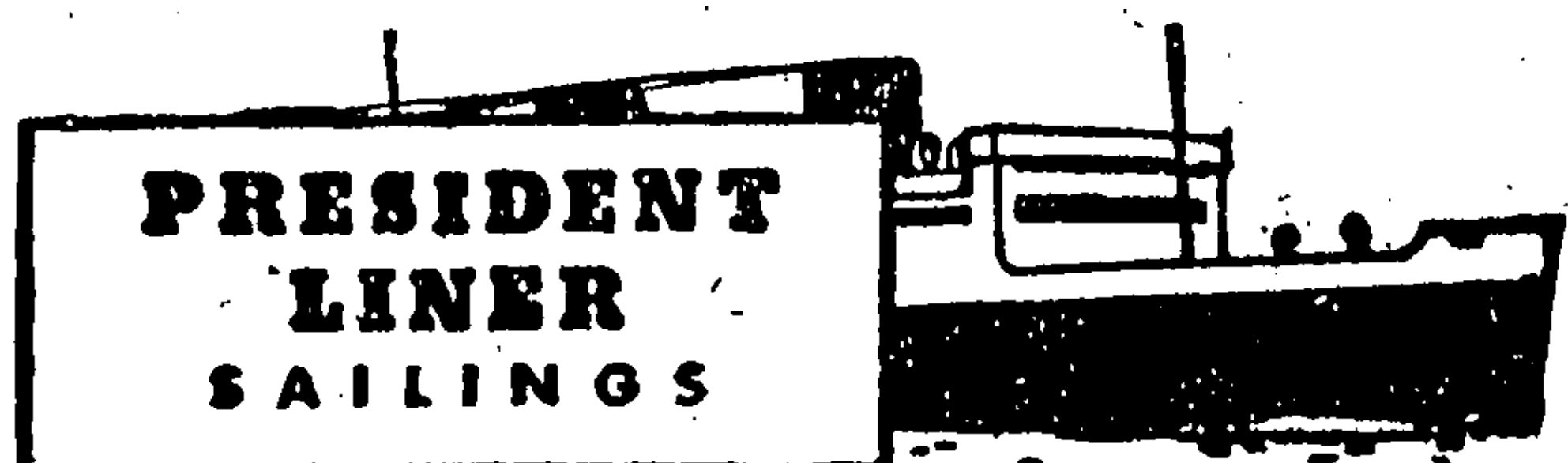


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When she was born there in September, 1932, she weighed 18 ounces and was only a foot long. In spite of special nursing she lived only one week.

NAZIS ACCUSE DUTCH OF SIGNALLING TO R.A.F.

MARSHAL GOERING, head of the German air force, has flown over Holland at night to check reports that the Dutch are signalling to R.A.F. raiders, states the Rotterdam correspondent of "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The correspondent adds that the German military commander in the Netherlands has reported to Berlin that Holland "is crammed with spies," who communicate with British aircraft by signals, and inform the enemy of all the movements of troops and shipping.

In Amsterdam, The Hague, and Rotterdam people go into the streets as soon as the British Air Force is signalled. Anyone asked why he stands watching the 'planes replies: "I want to see some decent foreigners occasionally."

Curfew hours have been extended by the Nazis, and, because of recent happenings, the velvet glove has been replaced by the Prussian mailed fist.

Six Haarlem schoolboys have been sentenced by The Hague military court for sabotage. Four of the boys received 15 months' imprisonment, but the sentences on the other two have not been disclosed, presumably because of their severity. The boys cut electric cables and telephones installed by the German military.

A sensation is said to have been caused by the publication in the Dutch Nazi paper, "Het Nationale Dagblad," of an interview with an official of the Nederlandsche Unie, a corporate body of the Dutch political parties. It is in question and answer form and one passage reads:

Q: Should Britain win and the Dutch Government in England return, what is the attitude of the Union?

A: We know only one Government, and that is in London, and we expect it to return.

Q: What is the attitude if Germany wins?

A: Not a single Dutchman hopes that will happen, but should such a situation arise the consequences are not to be imagined.

Shooting In Amsterdam

An Amsterdam correspondent of "Vrij Nederland" states: "There has been serious street fighting in Amsterdam and Venloo between Dutch and members of Mussert's armed Nazi organisation. In Amsterdam the Nazi party shop in the centre of the city was attacked and wrecked. There was grave fighting and shooting."

"The Dutch, armed with knuckle-dusters, crowbars and hods, laid low some of the Nazis. As a reprisal the Nazis smashed up the home of a secretary of the Union."

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For weeks the problem of getting evacuees into homes in the town has harassed the Town Hall.

It came to a crisis when Mr. J. W. Winter, Town Clerk, resigned his position as Chief Billeting Officer, and the other sixteen billeting officers joined him rather than use compulsion in finding new billets.

Although Mrs. Meadows had been on the Town Hall staff for only fifteen months, she was chosen from twenty applicants to do the job.

Compulsion If—

"I'm not afraid to tackle it, and I'm going to make a success of it," Chief Billeting Officer Mrs. Meadows said in a firm voice to a reporter.

"I know there are difficulties to be overcome, but I shall use all the tact I am capable of. If that fails I shall have no hesitation in using compulsion."

"I don't think that will be necessary in many cases."

"Women like to have a woman to deal with in things like this."

"Men haven't the patience. They won't spend time talking things over. They want a quick decision, and when they don't get it they get exasperated."

Husband Called Up

"Now that my husband has been called up for the R.A.F. I shall be glad to have a job that takes up all my time and gives me plenty to think about—and this job looks like doing that!"

"We have been married only two years, and it will be a tremendous break."

"He says he admires me for taking the job on, and I hope I shall make him admire me even more by making a success of it."

That's the spirit Mrs. Meadows takes to her new task. Six weeks ago she was earning £2 a week as an assistant. A month ago she got a rise to £3.

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EASTERN DEFEAT NAVY TO LEAD FIRST DIVISION

Navy Forwards Lack Thrust & Miss Chances

Hsu And Hyui Play Well For Winners

By "Referee"

FIELDING TWO RESERVES Eastern were still able to beat Royal Navy by two clear goals in a First Division game at Causeway Bay yesterday and with only two more matches to play seem assured of at least a play off for the runners-up position following Sing Tao's lapse against Kowloon on Saturday.

Eastern did not have matter all their own way yesterday against Navy and had to fight up to the last minute to prevent Navy from scoring and in the first half they had some narrow escapes.

Navy also fielded several reserves but these did well on the whole. Giff in goal gave a sound display and was safe in his handling while O'Regan and Roughley were a sound pair of backs who used their weight judiciously and when necessary. Both Eastern's goals were through snapped up opportunities as these two backs gave the forwards little chance to really trouble Giff.

Hazard in the pivotal position was a hard worker and he had the centre well covered though he had a hard task watching Hyui who was in good form. Lahye on his right did not allow Hau Ching-to much rope and this speedy winger was not as dangerous as usual. On the left Britt was injured in the very first minute of the game and could not give of his best but rendered good work in the defence where he more than had the measure of Fu Tsuk-pan.

Honywill Shines

Honywill led the line well but could not shake the attentions of Hsu who had him shadowed throughout. He was seen in several good movements with Le Page. Hendy at inside-left was a hard worker. He showed glimpses of good ball control and sent Barber away on several occasions but he did not have a chance to test Lau Hin-hon in goal.

Le Page did a lot of hard work and was always seen assisting the defence. On the right wing Hall was slow to anticipate passes and permitted several good chances to go astray. In the second half he improved greatly and had Lo Wai-kuen fully occupied.

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The absence of Chung Yung-rem on the right wing seemed to upset the smooth movements of the Eastern forwards in the first half while the unwelcome bustling methods of O'Regan were not resisted by Cheung Kam-hoi who was put off his game for a long time. It was left therefore to Hyui and Tsao to provide most of the danger as Hau Ching-to was always well held by Lahye.

Cheung Kam-hoi Improves

In the second half Cheung Kam-hoi improved and this caused Fu Tsuk-pan the right wing to come more into the picture and Britt was given more to do.

Hsu, the pivot, was the mainstay of the defence and it was through his sterling work that Eastern were able to keep their goal intact.

Neither of the other halves were particularly outstanding.

Ng Kee-cheung played a grand game at right back and he saved his side on several occasions in the first half by his covering.

The Scoring

Playing against the wind, Eastern started attacking early but were met with a stubborn defence in which O'Regan and Roughley were prominent.

Several good movements were spoiled by the slowness of the Navy forwards and after a period of attacking the ball was swung to the right wing and from a centre Hyui scored a goal with a good shot.

In the second half the same player placed his side further in the lead.

For the greater part of the second period Navy attacked but their forwards were not in shooting form and could not beat Lau Hin-hon.

NAVY—Giff; Roughley, O'Regan; Lahye, Hazard, Britt; Hall, Le Page, Honeywill, Hendy and Barber.

EASTERN—Lau Hin-hon; Ng Kee-cheung, S. Y. Yen; Qui Wing-fok, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen; Fu Tsuk-ping, Cheung Kam-hoi, V. K. Hyui, C. T. Tsao and Hau Ching-to.

SATURDAY'S SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Kowloon did South China a good turn when they held Sing Tao to a goalless draw on Club ground on Saturday in First Division and this result now makes a play-off probable for the runners' up position between Eastern and Sing Tao.

St. Joseph's gave one of their best performances this season when they fully extended South China at Caroline Hill only to lose by the odd goal in three. Four penalties were awarded in this game and only two were converted.

WEEK-END SOCCER PROGRAMME

Following are the fixture for the week-end:

Saturday

First Division	
Royal Scots v Club (Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)	
Sing Tao v Middlesex (Club, 4.15 p.m.)	
Second Division	
Police v Kowloon (Boundary Street, 4.15 p.m.)	
St. Joseph's v Navy (Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)	
Third Division	
Middlesex v Club (Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)	
Sing Tao v Kowloon (Club, 2.45 p.m.)	
R.A.O.C. v Navy (Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)	
Fourth Division	
20th R.A. v Shell (Boundary Street, 2.45 p.m.)	

Sunday

Lai Wah Cup Final	
Army v Civilians (Club, 3.30 p.m.)	
First Division	
Kwong Wah v Eastern (Boundary Street, 4.15 p.m.)	
Second Division	
Kit Chee v South China (Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)	
Police v Kwong Wah (Boundary Street, 2.45 p.m.)	
Third Division	
36th R.A. v Air Force (Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)	
A.S.A. v 35th R.A. (Chatham Road, 4.15 p.m.)	
24th R.A. v Signals (Chatham Road, 2.45 p.m.)	
R.A.M.C. v International (Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)	

By losing to Kwong Wah, South China juniors are now practically out of the race for Second Division honours while Engineers are getting nearer and nearer to the title, though they were given a good game by Ordinance.

HOCKEY

Rain caused the postponement of several games including the Interport practice but the Past and Present girls of Diocesan Girls School played their Annual game which resulted in Present girls winning by 2 goals to 1.

RUGBY

Combined Services beat Volunteers by three goals and a try (18 points) to a goal, a penalty goal and a try (11 points) after holding an interval lead of 10-3. Combined Services "A" proved too strong for a combined Club-Police "A" team and won by two goals and three tries (19 points) to nil after leading by 6-0 at the interval.

SERVICES TOO GOOD

Combined Services were good value for their Rugby win over Combined Volunteers by 18 pts. to 11 on Saturday.

Their backs were very much more dangerous in attack, and their tackling was always keen.

Outstanding players were Douglass, King and Sutherland, while Volunteers were best served by Thomson, Kennedy and Needham.

In the match in which Services "A" beat Combined Club and Police "A" by 19-0 Keeble and Nelson were only players to impress in a one-sided game.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION	
Navy	0 Eastern 2
SECOND DIVISION	
Navy	0 R. Scots 2
THIRD DIVISION	
20th R.A.	0 7th R.A. 3
International	1 A.S.A. 1
Air Force	1 24th R.A. 1

YESTERDAY'S HOCKEY

Only three hockey matches of the Hong Kong Hockey Association Tournament were played yesterday, owing to the unfit condition of the grounds.

Police beat the Royal Corps of Signals by the odd goal in three at Sookunpoo. Peja Singh scored both goals for the Police, while Price replied for the Signals.

At Boundary Street, the Central British Association drew with Khalsa, 3-3. E. Fowler (2) and T. Whitley scored for Central British, and Awtar Singh and G. Singh (2) were the scorers for Khalsa.

The match between Police "B" and the Engineers resulted in the former winning by one goal scored by Nawar Singh.

SOFTBALL RESULTS

Following are yesterday's softball results:

GIRLS

Little Flowers 2, Wildcats 20. Canuckettes 8, Wahooks 6.

MEN

First Division

Chinese 2, Indians 6. Filipinos 3, St. Joseph's 20. Cyclones 3, Mohawks 7.

Second Division

Liga Portuguesa 13, Nam Hwa 9. Royal Scots 4, V.R.C. 23.

INTER-HONG

Greenspots 2, Wayfoong 16.

GOLF RESULTS

Following are the results of golf matches played yesterday.

G. M. Young Cup (Semi-Final)
B and S beat Gibb Livingstone and Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank beat Chartered Bank.

Junior Championship (Semi-Finals)

S. L. Lloyd beat N. D. Lloyd 1 up.

A. J. Dennis beat E. G. Price 4 and 3.

Stubbs Shield (Semi-Final)
P.W.D. beat H.K.S.R.A. 4 and 2.

5th A.A. Regiment R.A. beat B and S 1 up.

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BY BEST BALL

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Prolonged, however, the waggle will possibly lead to an aggravation of the very ills one is attempting to cure. In addition it incites indecision so that the player remains in doubt about the actual execution of the stroke. Next Article—Arm vs. Arm And Body Action.

GRAPHIC GOLF



WAGGLE AT ADDRESS LESSENS TENSION

Two Outstanding Local Cricket Achievements

Fenton Takes All Ten Engineer Wickets

Anderson Reaches His 1,000 Runs

By "Adrem"

THE FRIENDLY ALL-DAY CRICKET MATCH AT SOOKUNPOO BETWEEN K.C.C. AND R.E., WHICH THE FORMER WON BY 131 RUNS YESTERDAY WAS NOTABLE FOR TWO FINE FEATS.

D. J. N. Anderson, the K.C.C. opening batsman, completed his 1,000 runs for the season after he had scored 37 — he went on to make 82 not out — and R. J. Fenton performed the extremely rare feat of taking all 10 Engineer wickets.

Kowloon batted first on a perfect matting wicket. The outfield was slow and the ball had to be hit hard before it would reach the boundary.

Tropp and Denyer bowled steadily and three wickets fell in 30 minutes for only 20 runs.

Anderson was then joined by Mackay and this partnership added 133 runs. Mackay then being caught and bowled by Denyer for 67 soon after lunch.

Denyer struck an inspired patch after lunch and the balls with which he bowled Gray and Perry were very good ones. Anderson, however, was in no trouble and when the innings closed K.C.C. were two short, he was still undefeated.

The earlier R.E. batsmen shaped well, Ratcliffe and Shaw looking particularly confident and Tropp defending stoutly throughout, but Fenton, turning the ball both ways and keeping a fairly accurate length, took wickets regularly.

On three occasions in the course of this innings he took two wickets with successive balls but he was unable to complete the "hat-trick."

It is understood that Fenton will be presented with the ball, suitably mounted and inscribed, with which he accomplished his feat yesterday.

KOWLOON C.C.	82
D. J. N. Anderson, not out	82
W. L. Rapley, b Tropp	6
A. Zimmer, c and b Holliday	6
L. R. Burch, b Tropp	3
N. A. E. Mackay, c and b Denyer	67
S. A. Gray, b Denyer	1
A. E. Perry, b Denyer	9
K. M. Baxter, lbw, Denyer	0
R. J. Fenton, b Denyer	10
Extras	9

Total 193

Bowling Analysis	O.	M.	R.	W.
Tropp	12	1	43	2
Holliday	4	1	15	1
Denyer	9	7	45	5
Shipp	4	0	34	0
Ratcliffe	3	0	19	0
Shaw	1	0	13	0
Samways	1	0	15	0

ROYAL ENGINEERS	0
Holliday, c Anderson, b Fenton	12
Ratcliffe, c Gray, b Fenton	4
Shaw, b Fenton	22
Tropp, not out	0
Bailey, st Zimmer, b Fenton	0
Shipp, c Gray, b Fenton	0
Denyer, b Fenton	0
Samways, b Fenton	5
Kehoe, b Fenton	2
Hawkins, b Fenton	0
Palmer, b Fenton	8
Extras	8

Total 62

Bowling Analysis	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fenton	9	6	2	10
Perry	5	3	4	0
Baxter	4	0	20	0

RECREIO BEAT CHINA LIGHT

At King's Park yesterday, Club de Recreio beat an eleven from China Light and Power Company by 29 runs in a friendly cricket match.

RECREIO	
A. J. M. Prata, lbw, b Clemo	4
L. G. Gosano, b Silva	28
A. M. Prata, b Clemo	41
A. M. Rodrigues, c Tillery	0
E. M. L. Soares, c Lay, b Silva	6
H. A. Barros, c Lay, b Clemo	4
F. J. Remedios, b Clemo	4
A. H. Remedios, lbw, b Silva	0
P. A. Alves, c Lay, b Silva	5
R. M. Soares, run out	1
A. M. Remedios, not out	0
Extras (W1, B6, L32)	9

Totals 111

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Silva	9	2	28	4
Remedios	4	0	17	0
Clema	7	0	28	5
Lay	1	0	14	0
Brown	1	0	15	0

CHINA LIGHT

E. A. Noronha, b Alves	6
F. J. Lay, b Gosano	3
M. A. Remedios, b Gosano	0
P. M. N. da Silva, c F. J. Remedios, b A. M. Prata	16
C. F. Wood, c E. M. L. Soares, b A. M. Prata	19
A. C. Tinson, c Alves, b A. M. Prata	4
J. W. Bertram, b B. M. L. Soares	20

Bowling Analysis

W. Tillery, c A. M. Remedios, b A. H. Remedios	2
A. B. Clema, c Alves, b A. H. Remedios	6
W. J. Brown, c Gosano, b A. J. M. Prata	3
P. D'Almeida, not out	0
Extras (W2, B1)	3

Totals 82

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gosano	4	0	13	2
E. A. R. Alves	4	1	16	1
A. M. Prata	4	2	10	3
R. M. Soares	3	0	9	0
A. H. Remedios	3	0	9	2
F. J. Remedios	2	0	12	0
E. M. L. Soares	1	0	10	1
A. J. M. Prata	1	1	0	1

MACAO SOCCER TEAM

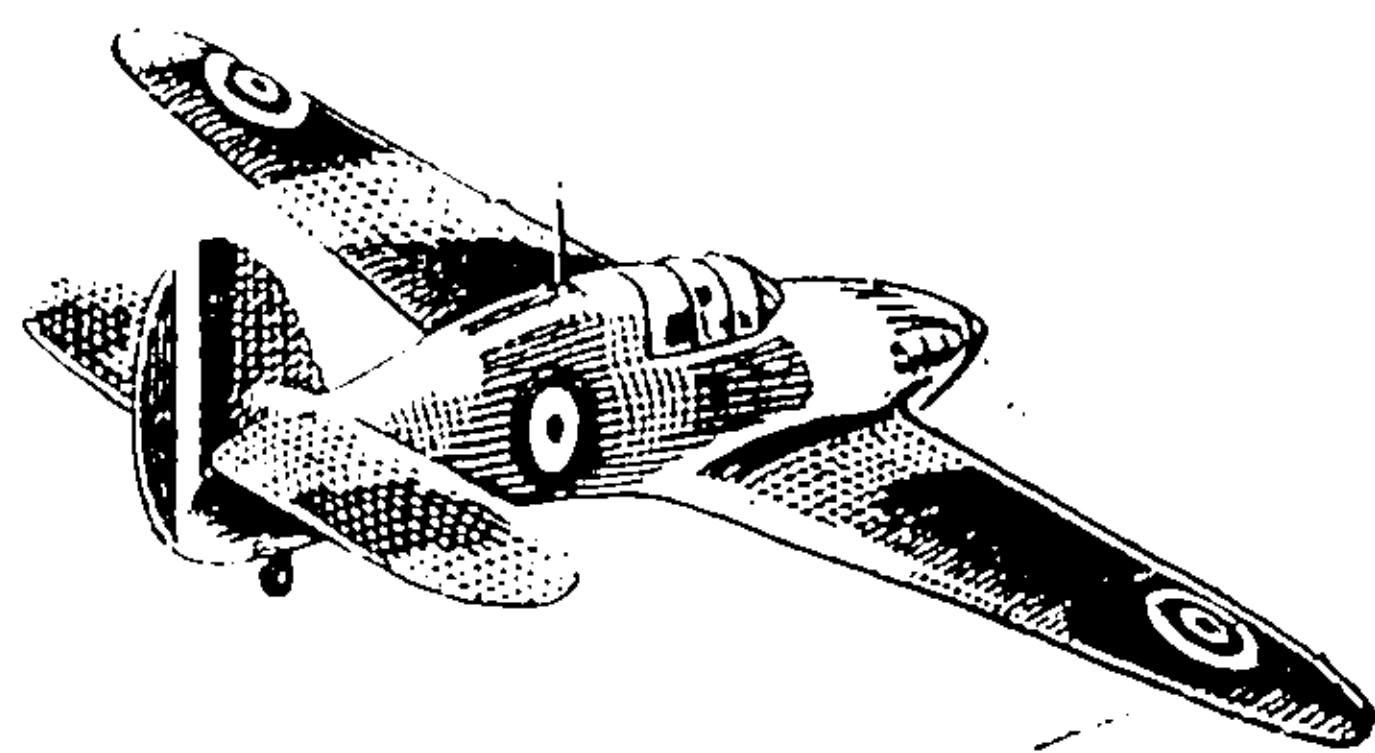
Macao Football Association, who play Eastern to-morrow at Caroline Hill will be represented by the following:—

Carvalho: Cordova and Chifu; Sousa, Colaco and Magalhaes; Ipoutou Airo-sa, Querreira, Lau Chon-kuan and Chong Han-kong.

Reserves:—Mendes, Pimenta and Leandro.

The team arrives to-morrow morning and will staying at Hotel Cecil.

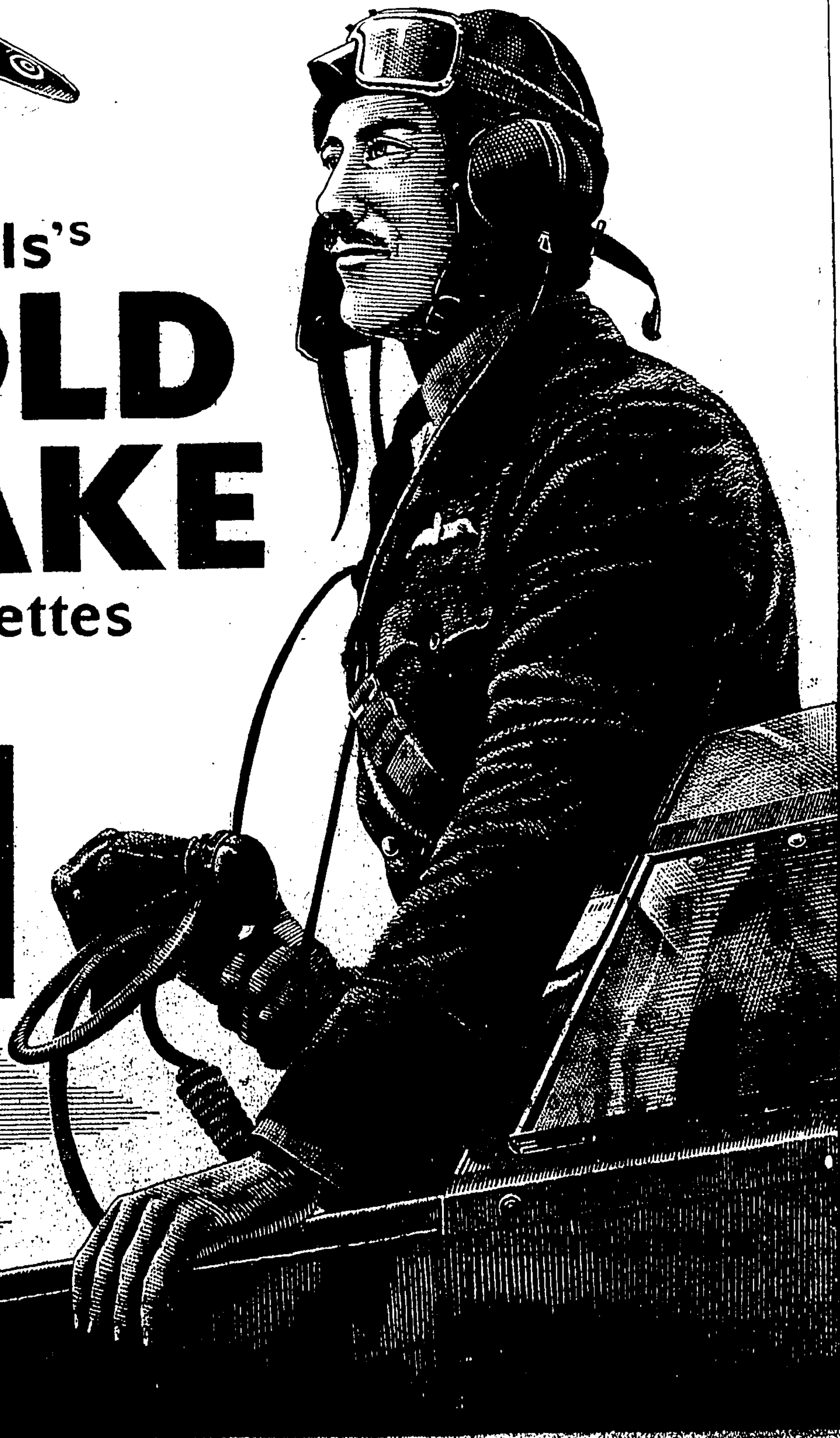
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VICHY CABINET RE-SHUFFLE

The replacement of all French Ministers except Admiral Darlan and General Huntziger (and possibly Barthélemy, the newly-appointed Minister of Justice) is expected in a Vichy Cabinet re-shuffle, says the official German News Agency.

The re-shuffle, according to D.N.B., is likely to take place either to-day or tomorrow (Tuesday). —Reuter.

A communique issued in Vichy yesterday stated "M. Flandin who responded to Marshal Petain's appeal when, at a delicate moment, the latter asked for his collaboration, has considered it his duty to place his office at the disposal of the head of the Government.

"This gesture will give a great soldier whose responsibility alone it is to guide the destiny of France, the complete liberty he needs to take all the measures required by the present situation."

"The conversations Admiral Darlan had in Paris following the interview at Lafert (between Marshal Petain and M. Laval) have to the Montoire policy a new reality. It is probable that the situation thus created will lead to decisions in the near future.

Flandin's Letter

"M. Flandin was actuated by a wish to apprise the Marshal of the need to take personalities into consideration. The head of the Government has thanked him warmly for his gesture."

M. Flandin, in his letter of resignation, to Marshal Petain said: "I gave myself to the task you yourself laid down for me — to put into effect the policy of collaboration in respect of the armistice terms with dignity and honour."

"Forces of circumstances had caused me to ask Marshal Petain to accept my resignation."

"I hope this gesture will be understood and interpreted by all Frenchmen as an expression of the duty that falls to us, for the salvation of the Fatherland, to help you in your heavy task and remain united around you."

Petain's Reply

Marshal Petain has sent a reply to M. Flandin in which he stated that M. Flandin, by leaving the Government, was sacrificing himself for France.

His gesture of noble disinterestedness would be understood and appreciated.

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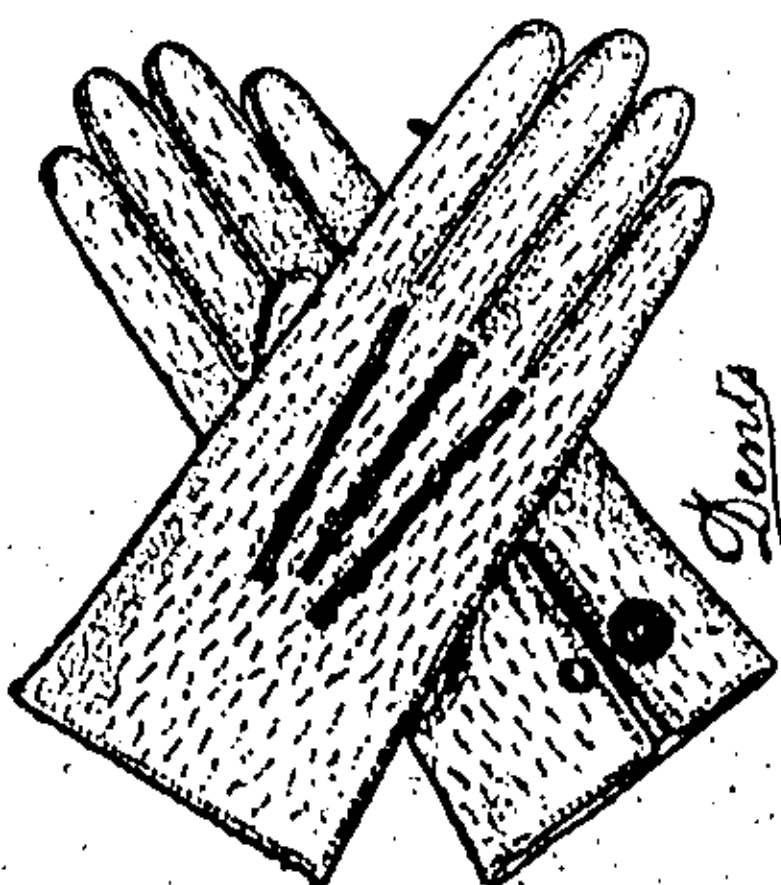
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German Penetration Of Bulgaria

Mr. Churchill, reviewing the war situation in a broadcast at four o'clock this morning, H.K. time, announced the development of a critical situation in the Balkans.

The Prime Minister said that there had already been German penetration of Bulgaria, presumably with the consent of the Bulgarian Government, and he spoke of preparations indicating the imminence of "violent action."

The War's Most Tremendous Naval Bombardment

THE ROYAL NAVY UNLEASHED AT DAWN YESTERDAY, THE WAR'S MOST TREMENDOUS NAVAL BOMBARDMENT OF A PORT, WHEN HEAVY AND LIGHT UNITS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN FLEET SENT OVER 300 TONS OF SHELLS CRASHING INTO THE GREAT PORT OF GENOA, THE HISTORIC FOURTH CITY OF ITALY.

Naval aircraft at the same time were aiming high explosive and incendiary bombs on military objectives at Pisa, and also were blasting one of the largest oil plants in Italy, at Leghorn — Leghorn, the front door of the Italian Fleet.

MAJOR DAMAGE IN BOMBARDMENT

Indicative of the success of the Genoa naval bombardment, a message from Rome states that all provincial Northern newspapers which are normally available in Rome on Sunday afternoons had failed to arrive late last night, indicating major damage to the Italian transportation systems. — International News Service.

WILLKIE WARNS AMERICA

"Should Britain collapse, I think America's chances of involvement in the war is very great," said Mr. Wendell Willkie on his arrival in New York.

"I do not foresee the possibility of an American Expeditionary Force being sent abroad, no matter what develops.

"I have not heard any talk that Britain, either in official circles or among the people, is anticipating or even suggesting that the United States should become an active ally.

"I am interested in the current press reports regarding the Lend and Lease Bill.

Not Realistic

"Apparently there are some drawing an issue on the basis of war or no war. This is not realistic.

Mr. Willkie plans to proceed to Washington on Monday night in order to testify before the House of Representatives Foreign Relations Committee on Tuesday. — International News Service.

WEYGAND RUMOURS

Rumours are current that General Weygand, the Commander-in-Chief of the French Forces in North Africa, and General Wavell will soon meet.

It is stated that the meeting was suggested by Colonel Donovan, who is visiting the Middle East. — International News Service.

Nazi Balkan Threat

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The German newspaper "Deutsch Allgemein Zeitung" bluntly declares that Bulgaria is about to join the Axis and warns Turkey as to her future attitude.

Reports of troop concentrations in Rumania suggest that Nazi action against Greece through Bulgaria is imminent. — International News Service.

'BROOKHAM' IN AUSTRALIA

The Commander-in-Chief, Far East, Air-Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, arrived in Australia on Saturday from Singapore to confer with Australian defence leaders.

Air Marshal Brooke-Popham said that the Far East and Australia were in a state of preparedness for any eventuality.

Referring to the members of the Australian Air Force now in Singapore, Sir Robert Brooke-Popham said, "I have met them and have the greatest admiration for them." — British Wire.

All this was achieved for the loss of only one Swordfish aircraft, while two Italian planes were shot down.

The bombardment was even more successful than was at first thought, states an Admiralty communique, giving these further details.

The forces under the command of Vice-Admiral Sir James Somerville consisted of the battle-cruiser, H.M.S. Renown, the battleship, H.M.S. Malaya, the aircraft-carrier, H.M.S. Ark Royal, and the cruiser, H.M.S. Sheffield, with light forces in company.

Power Station Hit

The following results were observed states the communique: The Ansaldo Electric Works and the Ansaldo Boiler Works were heavily hit and large fires started.

The main power station of the port, which also supplies power for the railways, was severely damaged and set on fire.

Many hits were also made on the dry docks and warehouses and the harbour works surrounding the inner harbour. Here, too, considerable fires broke out.

The main oil fuel installation and the oil tanks were repeatedly hit, as were a number of supply ships and the main goods yard of the railway.

Leghorn Attack

Several tons of bombs and a large number of incendiaries were dropped by naval aircraft on the oil refinery of Anic at Leghorn and on other targets in the vicinity. This oil refinery is one of the largest and most important oil plants in Italy.

Other naval aircraft attacked Pisa, where the aerodrome and railway junction were hit. This railway junction is the interbe-

tion of the main west coast railway from Genoa to Rome and the south and is one of the most important railway routes across the Peninsula from Leghorn to Bologna and Venice.

Two Italian aircraft which attempted to interfere were shot down. One British Swordfish aircraft is missing.

The communique concludes: No other casualties were suffered by the British forces in the course of these most successful operations. — Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST:—North-East winds, moderate to fresh; fine to cloudy, probably some rain later.

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Armoured Units In Libya Now On Tripolitan Border

NAZI U-BOAT THREAT

"Submarine war—what we understand by submarine war—begins in Spring," said Rudolph Hess, Hitler's deputy, on the occasion of the inauguration of new Gauleiters or local Nazi Chiefs.

"England has only received a slight taste in advance of what is going to happen after a pause," said Hess.

"The greatest war-machine of all time is ready and manned by German soldiers to bring final victory."

The German News Agency says that in his speech, Hess declared that war was the last thing Hitler wanted in the realisation of his plans and that German stranglehold on England was growing daily and hourly.

Another of Hess' statements was that German submarines and the "Luftwaffe" were gaining increasing successes. — Reuter.

LONDON "ALERT"

The sounding of air raid sirens in London yesterday afternoon was followed by short alert. — British Wireless.

Five Senior Generals Captured

ADVANCED ELEMENTS of the British armoured forces in Libya have occupied El Agheila, a coastal town over a hundred miles south of Benghazi and well on the road to Tripoli.

Five senior Generals and many thousands of prisoners have been taken at Benghazi, in addition to the Army Commander and Corps Commander already reported.

In Eritrea, the disorganised Italians, according to last night's Cairo communique were being chased towards Arreza.

The R.A.F. Middle East communique says: The R.A.F. is harassing the retreating Italian forces. Motor transport, troops, gun emplacements and other objectives in and around Keren have been repeatedly bombed.

In Abyssinia, eight Italian machines were destroyed on the landing ground at Alcmata, south of Lake Tana, and considerable damage was done by British aircraft to the camp.

At Karora, on the Eritrean-Sudan frontier, near the coast, an enemy concentration was bombed, while the landing grounds at Dessie were also raided, bombs falling among the hangars and

buildings. Only one British machine is missing.

Eleven prisoners were captured from Capronis shot down on February 3 and it is confirmed that one other enemy plane was destroyed that day.

Small Town

El Agheila, occupied by the British Forces, is a small town of about 1,000 inhabitants.

It had barracks for the Carabinieri, a wireless station and an emergency landing ground.

The town stands at the southernmost point of the Gulf of Sirte, 175 miles by road from Benghazi and 10 miles from the border of Tripolitania.

Travelling westward, El Agheila is the last place of any importance before the desert of Sirte.

Big Advance

A further big advance by British forces in Libya was announced in yesterday's Middle East Command communique, which states that El Agheila—about 145 miles south of Benghazi—has been occupied by the advanced elements of the British armoured forces.

Meanwhile, the communique adds that the clearance of battlefields, south of Benghazi, is continuing.

Owing to the extent of the area covered by the final operations, some time will elapse before the exact number of prisoners and the amount of war materials captured can be known.

Keren Defence

In Eritrea, operations around Keren have been developing satisfactorily although the enemy has reinforced the troops holding positions in that region.

Further south, British forces continue in close pursuit of the disorganised Italians who are making their way over difficult country towards Arreza, close to the Abyssinian border.

British progress along the Gondar road in Abyssinia have been temporarily slowed up by exten-

ATTACKS CONVOY FOR LAST TIME

The enemy plane which attempted to attack a convoy yesterday was promptly shot down into the sea by the escort vessel "Pythchley" it was announced in London yesterday.

The Admiralty communique said that there were no survivors from the enemy aircraft.—Reuter.

R.A.F. RAIDS OF A WEEK

Royal Air Force raids over Germany occupied ports and beyond, were on larger scale once again during the week ending at dawn on Friday.

Altogether three raids were made on docks and other objectives at Brest, Boulogne and Ostend while at Dieppe and Dunkirk, docks and shipping were also attacked.

Fighter aircraft escorting a small bomber force twice made offensive sweeps in daylight over a wide area in northern France, attacking both ports and inland aerodromes.

During the week, various targets in the Dusseldorf area in Germany were attacked. These included two railway junctions, an aerodrome and a large factory. — Reuter.

SITUATION AT SHA YU-CHUNG

Chinese reports that the Japanese have left Sha-yu-chung were authoritatively denied this morning.

In fact, the Japanese troops which occupied Sha-yu-chung have spread to neighbouring villages along the coast, east and west of Sha-yu-chung.

sive mine-fields which are now being cleared while in Italian Somaliland, intense patrol activity has still further deepened the areas of British penetration.—Reuter.

Vatican Radio Jammed

The Vatican Radio has been jammed for several weeks, and this was the explanation given by the announcer for the slow speed and constant repetition of messages given out yesterday.

"We beg our listeners," said the announcer, "to excuse us for speaking slowly and repeating all the time, but for several weeks now the Vatican Radio has been jammed by an unknown source."

We have never put over the air anything that was not in accordance with the law of nature and God, and no reports of which we had not previously obtained irrefutable proof.

"We conclude this is a manoeuvre by certain people who are afraid of the truth: being heard and the work of powers that shun the light of lying propaganda." — Reuter.

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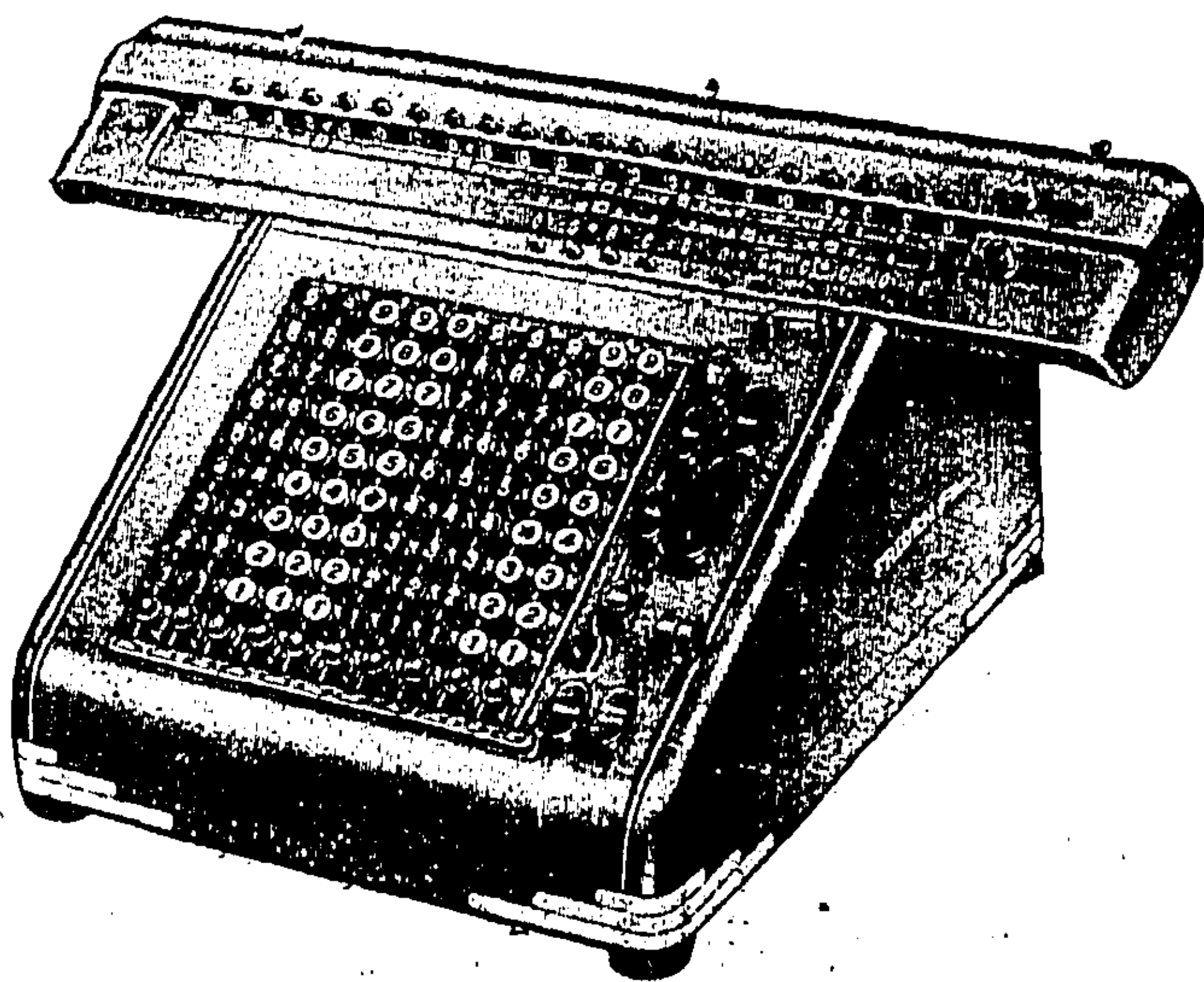
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Mr. Winston Churchill opened his broadcast to the Nation and Empire with these words last night.

"It is more than five months," he said, "since I spoke to the British Nation and the Empire on a broadcast. In war time, there is a lot to be said for the motto 'deeds not words.' All the same, it is a good thing to look round from time to time and take stock, and certainly our affairs have prospered in several directions during these last four or five months for better than most of us would have ventured to hope.

After the heavy defeats of the German Air Force by our fighters in August and September last year, Hitler did not attempt the invasion of this island, although he had need to do so, and had made vast preparations.

"Baffled in this mighty project, he sought to break the spirit of the British nation by bombing first London, and afterwards our great cities.

"It has now been proved to the admiration of the world and our friends in the United States, that this form of blackmail by murder and terrorism, so far from weakening the spirit of the British Nation, has only roused it to a more intense universal flame than was seen ever before in any modern community.

"The whole of the British Empire has been proud of the Mother country and they long to be with us over here in even larger numbers. We have been deeply conscious of the love for us which has flowed from the Dominions of the Crown across the broad ocean spaces.

"That is first of our war aims to be worthy of that love and preserve it.

Bombing Of England

"All through these dark winter months the enemy has had the power to drop three or four tons of bombs upon us for every ton we could send to Germany in return.

"We are arranging so that presently this will be rather the other way round, but, meanwhile, London and our big cities have had to stand their pounding.

"They remind me of the British squares at Waterloo. They are not squares of soldiers, they do not wear scarlet coats.

"They are just ordinary English, Scottish and Welsh folk, men, women and children standing steadfastly together but their spirit is the same, their glory is the same and in the end their victory will be greater than the famous Waterloo.

"All honour is due to the civil defence services of all kinds — emergency and regular, voluntary and professional, who have helped our people through this formidable ordeal, the like of which no civilised community has ever been called upon to undergo.

Back Of Winter

"More than two-thirds of the winter has now gone and so far we have had no serious epidemic, indeed, there has been no increase in illness, in spite of the improvised conditions, in the shelters.

"That is mostly due to the local medical and sanitary authorities, to our devoted nursing staff and the Ministry of Health,

whose head, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, is now going to Canada on other important duties.

"We have broken the back of winter, daylight grows, the R.A.F. grows and is already certainly master of daylight and the air.

Sharper, But Shorter

"The attacks may be sharper but they will be shorter. There will be more opportunities for work and service of all kinds.

So, if our first victory was the repulse of the invader, our second was the frustration of his acts of terror and torture against our people at home.

"Meanwhile, abroad, in October, a wonderful thing happened. One of the two Dictators, a cold-blooded and blackhearted Italian, who had sought to gain an empire at a cheap price by stabbing fallen France in the back, got into trouble.

Without the slightest provocation, spurred on by the lust of power and brutish greed, Mussolini attacked and invaded Greece only to be hurled back ignominiously by the heroic Greek army who have revived before our eyes the glories that, from the classic age, have filled their native land.

Libyan Campaign

"While Mussolini was writhing and smarting under the Greek lash in Albania, Generals Wavell and Wilson who were charged with the defence of Egypt and the Suez Canal in accordance with our Treaty obligations, whose task at one time seemed so difficult, had received very powerful reinforcements of men, cannon, equipment and above all, tanks, which we had sent from our island in spite of the invasion threat and large numbers of troops from India, Australia and New Zealand had also reached them.

"There began that series of victories in Libya which have broken irretrievably Italian military power in the African continent. Here then, in Libya, is the third considerable event upon which we may feel some satisfaction.

Hazardous Adventure

After referring to the early stages of the British advance in Libya as "the most hazardous adventure," Mr. Churchill continued: "The brilliant decisive factor in Sir I. Barron with its tens of thousands of prisoners proved that we had a quality in manoeuvring power and weapons superior to the enemy who had boasted so much of his virility and military virtues.

"It was evident that all other Italian forces in eastern Libya

were in great danger. They could not easily retreat along the coastal road without running the risk of being caught in the open by our armoured division and brigades ranging far out into the desert in tremendous swoops. They had exposed themselves to being attacked piecemeal.

"General Wavell, nay, all our leaders of British, Australians and Indians in the Imperial Army saw their opportunity.

"At that time, I ventured to draw General Wavell's attention to the gospel of St. Matthew at the seventh verse where, as you all know, or ought to know, it is written: 'Ask and it shall be given, seek and ye shall find, knock and the door shall be opened unto you.'

"The Army of the Nile has asked and it was given. They sought and they have found. They knocked and it has been opened to them.

Model Of Military Art

"In barely eight weeks of the campaign, which should be long studied as a model of military art, an advance of over four hundred miles has been made. The whole Italian army in the East—an army reputed to exceed one hundred and fifty thousand men—have been captured or destroyed and the entire province of Cyrenaica, nearly as big as England and Wales, has been conquered.

"The unhappy Arab tribes which have suffered from brutal Italian rule have been freed. Those Bedouin survivors have at least seen their oppressors in disorderly flight or led off in endless droves as prisoners of war.

Egypt Safe

"Egypt and the Suez Canal are safe and the port, base and airfields of Benghazi constitute a strategic point of high consequence to the whole war in the Eastern Mediterranean."

Mr. Churchill proceeded to pay glowing tributes to General Wavell and other military leaders and said he had received a telegram from General Wavell saying that the success of Benghazi was due to the outstanding leadership and resolution of Generals O'Connor and Greagh, ably backed by General Wilson.

Referring to the part played by the Royal Air Force and the Navy in the battle of Libya, Mr. Churchill declared that none of the British plans could have succeeded had not the pilots wrested the control of the air from a far more numerous enemy air force.

Nor would the campaign itself have been possible if the British Mediterranean Fleet had not chased the Italian Navy into their harbours and sustained every forward surge of the army with all the flexible resources of sea power.

Genoa Shelling

Mr. Churchill continued: "How far-reaching these resources are we may now see from what happened at dawn this morning, when our Western Mediterranean Fleet under Admiral Somerville entered the Gulf of Genoa and bombarded in a shattering manner the naval base, from which a German Nazi expedition might sail to attack General Weygand in Algeria or Tunisia.

"It is right that the Italian people should be made to feel the sorry plight into which they had been led by Mussolini. If the cannonade of Genoa,

rolling along the coast and reverberating in the mountains, has reached the ears of our French comrades in their grief and misery, it may cheer them with a feeling that friends, active friends, are near and that Britannia rules the waves.

"The events in Libya are only part of the story. They are only part of the story of the decline and fall of the Italian Empire that will not take the future Gibbon so long to write as an original work.

In East Africa

"Fifteen-hundred miles away to the South, a strong British and Indian army, having driven the invaders out of the Sudan, are marching steadily forward through the Italian Colony of Eritrea thus seeking a complete isolation of all Italian troops in Abyssinia. Other British troops are entering Abyssinia from the West while an army is gathered in Kenya in the van of which we may discern the powerful forces of South Africa, organised by General Smuts, striking northward along the whole of this enormous frontier.

Lastly, Ethiopian patriots whose independence was stolen five years ago, have risen in arms and their Emperor, so recently exiled in England, is in their midst to fight for their freedom and his throne.

"Here, then, we see the beginning of the process of reparation and the chastening of wrong-doing which reminds that though mills of God grind slowly, they grind exceedingly small."

U.S. Aid

Referring to the "mighty tide of sympathy and good-will and effective aid" which has begun to flow across the Atlantic, Mr. Churchill said to his hearers that it might be that both Mr. Wendell Willkie and Mr. Harry Hopkins would tell the truth about what they had seen over here.

More than that is not asked. "The rest we leave with good confidence to the judgment of President Roosevelt, the United States Congress, and the American people."

Balkan Unity

Turning to what he described as the more serious, darker and more dangerous aspects of the vast scene of the war, Mr. Churchill said, "We may be sure the war is soon going to enter a phase of greater violence. Hitler's confederate, Mussolini, has reeled back in Libya, but the Germans, having absorbed Hungary and driven Rumania into frightful internal convulsions are now already on the Black Sea.

"A considerable German army and Air Force is being built up in Rumania and its forward tentacles have already penetrated Bulgaria with, we must suppose, the acquiescence of the Bulgarian Government.

The air-fields are being occupied by German ground personnel, numbering thousands so as to enable the German Air Force to come into action from Bulgaria.

"Many preparations have been made for the movement of German troops into or through Bulgaria and perhaps this forward movement has already begun.

Greater Violence

"Of course," continued Mr. Churchill, "if all Balkan peoples stood together and acted together, aided by Britain and Turkey, it would be many months before the German force could be assembled in South-East Europe and in those months much might happen.

"Much will certainly happen, as American aid becomes effective and as our air power grows, and as we become a well-armed nation, and as our armies in the East increase in strength. Nothing more certain than, if countries in South-Eastern Europe allow themselves to be pulled to pieces, one by one, they will share the fate of Denmark, Holland and Belgium, and none can tell how long it will be before the hour of deliverance strikes.

"One of the difficulties is to convince these countries that we are going to win the war. We think it astonishing that they don't see it as clearly as ourselves.

"The Italian Quisling, called Mussolini, and the French Quisling, called Laval, are both, in different ways, trying to make their countries into vassals for Hitler and his New Order, hoping to be able to get the Nazis and the Gestapo to enforce their rule upon their fellow-countrymen.

Saying "we shall do our best to fight for the Central Mediterranean," Mr. Churchill referred to "the very significant air action over Malta a fortnight ago," and said that the Germans sent dive-bombers to Sicily which injured the aircraft-carrier *Illustrious* and, as this wounded ship was sheltering in Malta harbour, they concentrated upon it their entire force so as to beat it to pieces.

"They were attacking one of the best defended fortresses of the world against air attacks, the Fleet Air-Arm and the R.A.F. and, in two or three days, they lost out of 150 dive-bombers, upwards of ninety, 50 of which were destroyed in the air and forty on the ground.

Did Not Come Again

Although *Illustrious* in a damaged condition was one of the greatest prizes of air and naval war, the Germans accepted defeat and would not come any more. All necessary repairs were made to the *Illustrious* in Malta harbour and she steamed safely to Alexandria under her own power at 23 knots.

Mr. Churchill said he dwelt on this incident, not because it disposed of the danger in the Central Mediterranean, but in order to show that there, as elsewhere, we intended to give a good account of ourselves.

But, after all, the fate of this war may be settled by what happens on the oceans, in the air and, above all, in this island.

American Aid

It now seemed certain that the Government and people of the United States intended to supply us with everything necessary for victory.

Mr. Churchill recalled that, in the last war, the United States sent two million men across the Atlantic. But this was not a war of immense armies firing immense shells at one another. We don't need the gallant armies which are forming throughout American Union. We don't need them this year or next year or, as far as I can foresee, in any year. But we do need most urgently, an immense and continuous supply of war materials and technical apparatus of all kinds.

Dill Warning

Concluding his broadcast, the Premier referred to the warning given to him by General Dill that Hitler may be forced to try to invade the British Isles in the near future.

"We are naturally working night and day, and we are getting everything ready. We are stronger than ever before—stronger than last August and September.

I have the greatest confidence in the Commander-in-Chief at Home, General Brooke, but most of all I put my faith in the simply resolve to conquer or die which is animating and inspiring nearly four million Britons with serviceable weapons in their hands.

Words Of Caution

"It is not an easy military operation to invade Britain and to face what is waiting for the invader here.

"There is one word of caution, though, which I must give. Hitler thought that when France gave in, we should give in. We did not give in, and he had to think again.

"Any invasion now will be supported by much more carefully prepared equipment of landing craft, which he must have planned during the winter. We must all be prepared to meet gas attacks, parachute attacks and other plans, which have been made with practised skill.

"The British Empire and the whole English-speaking world will be on Hitler's tracks, bearing with them the sword of justice. No sudden shock of battle will shake us and we will finish the job."

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TO-MORROW: "BEAU GESTE"

WENDELL WILLKIE KEEPS SILENT ON FINDINGS

ABOUT 200 PEOPLE greeted Mr. Wendell Willkie as he disembarked from the Dixie Clipper at the North Beach Airport yesterday after his trip to England.

Talking to reporters immediately on alighting, Mr. Willkie said he was "very much impressed by the unity of the British people."

When asked whether he had the same conclusions on aid to Britain as before his departure from the United States, Mr. Willkie replied, "My view as how the matter should be handled has been affected and modified by what I have seen."

Mr. Willkie added that he was deferring any statement on the subject until he "appears before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, probably to-morrow."

Mr. Willkie parried all questions relating to Ireland, but told reporters eagerly how he had talked with "literally thousands" of people of all classes, who commented for him with-out restraint.

Mr. Willkie looked tired after his strenuous adventure but appeared happy and gratified with his contact with wartime Britain for whom he repeatedly expressed his admiration.—Reuter.

According to a message from New York, Mr. Wendell Willkie has arrived in the Dixie Clipper, after his return journey from England via Lisbon.

Britain's Hopes

Mr. Wendell Willkie, is reported on arrival in U.S.A. on his return from Europe, to have said that he heard nobody in England express belief or anticipation that the United States would or should become "an active participant in war."

"Mr. Willkie is expected to appear before the Senate Foreign Relations committee on Thursday," — British Wireless.

CHUNGKING DENIES RUMOURS

A CATEGORICAL DENIAL WAS GIVEN IN CHUNGKING YESTERDAY BY A CHINESE MILITARY SPOKESMAN TO RUMOURS THAT THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS WERE FORMING AN INDEPENDENT ARMY OR THAT PUNITIVE MEASURES AGAINST THEM HAD BEEN TAKEN, OR WERE CONTEMPLATED.

After recalling that the Chinese Communists had pledged their alliance to the National Forces in September 1939, the spokesman said that they undertook to abide by the orders of the Chinese Government.

The Communists forces were now simply one section (about two per cent.) of the Chinese National Forces, he concluded.—Reuter.

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CONVICTS COMBAT MALARIA

Important work is being carried out, beyond the prison walls, by short-term prisoners of Stanley Prison.

They have been engaged in anti-malarial work at Tytam and in the newly established military areas in that neighbourhood.

Others have been sent as far afield as Cape D'Aguiar where similar work has been undertaken.

Just outside the prison walls, the prisoners have worked on two acres of land which is now producing various kinds of vegetables for prison consumption.

Inside the prison hollow concrete blocks are being produced by two concrete block-making machines newly acquired. Concrete blocks used in building A.R.P. shelters in the prison were all "locally" produced.

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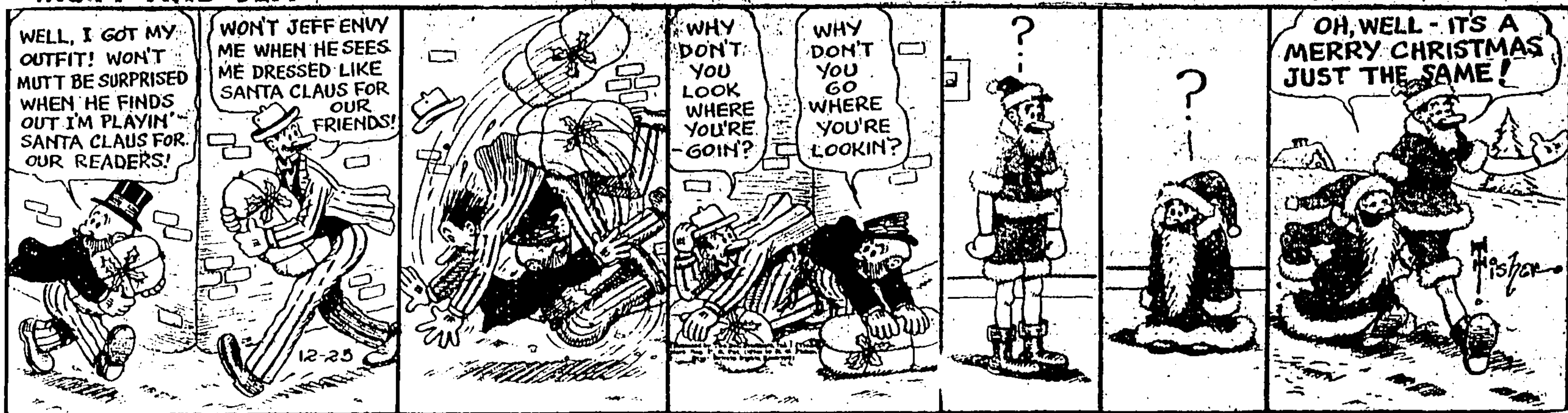
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WAS OSUMI 'PLANE SHOT DOWN?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Japanese troops are closing in on Toumen in Chungshan county, where Admiral Osumi's 'plane fell on Huangyangshan.

The surrounding areas, where the giant bomber crashed, were bombed by Japanese 'planes in an effort to prevent the Chinese from reaching the wreckage, but two machine-guns of the 'plane, the sword of Admiral Baron Osumi and some documents were already removed.

Chow Fu-hai, Minister of Finance in the Nanking regime, stated in the Central China "Daily News" that the 'plane was shot down and lamented the death of Rear-Admiral Hokocho Suka, naval adviser of the Nanking regime. — International News Agency.

COL. DONOVAN IN CAIRO

Colonel Donovan, President Roosevelt's personal envoy, arrived in Cairo yesterday from Palestine. — Reuter.

GENERAL DENTZ GOING TO DAMASCUS

General Dentz, the French High Commissioner in Syria and Lebanon, is going to Damascus for a long stay, according to the Jerusalem correspondent of the independent French news agency.

TWO NAZI 'PLANES SHOT DOWN

Two German aircraft were destroyed yesterday. One enemy bomber was shot down into the sea off the East coast by our fighters.

A Heinkel 111 type which approached one of our convoys in the North Sea was promptly shot down into the sea by H.M.S. Pythley. — British Wireless.

NAZIS MAN DANISH WARSHIPS

Danish torpedo-boats have been flying the German flag and have been manned by Germans since Wednesday, states the Stockholm newspaper, "Dagens Nyheter," in Stockholm yesterday.

This follows reports circulating in Stockholm during the past week that Germans had taken over Danish torpedo-boats and submarines.

The newspaper says that the torpedo-boats are intended for operating in the Baltic and for use in training, but adds that there is no question of taking over the submarines.

"This is the first serious breach of the original conditions laid down at the time of the German occupation comments the "Dagens Nyheter."

The Germans, it adds, are systematically obtaining the removal of Cabinet members with the object of eventually having a Ministry in Copenhagen possessing the confidence of the King and the people but at the same time willing to yield to German demands. — Reuter.

Flags At Half-Mast

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It is reported from Stockholm that Denmark has been forced to lease to the Nazis, ten torpedo-boats, six of which were only recently built.

It is stated that, when the vessels were delivered, the flags on them were flown at half-mast. — International News Service.

FILM CAMERAMAN BOUND OVER

Leung Ping, 24, assistant cameraman of the South China Motion Picture Company, Lee Gardens, was bound over by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy this morning, for stealing two rolls of films from the company.

Detective Sergeant V. Morrison said that the films were valued at \$70.

HARBOUR THEFT

Two drums of paint and 25 fathoms of Manila rope, were stolen from a ship anchored at buoy No. B18, on Saturday. The paint and rope, which belonged to Talkoo Dockyard, were valued at \$535.

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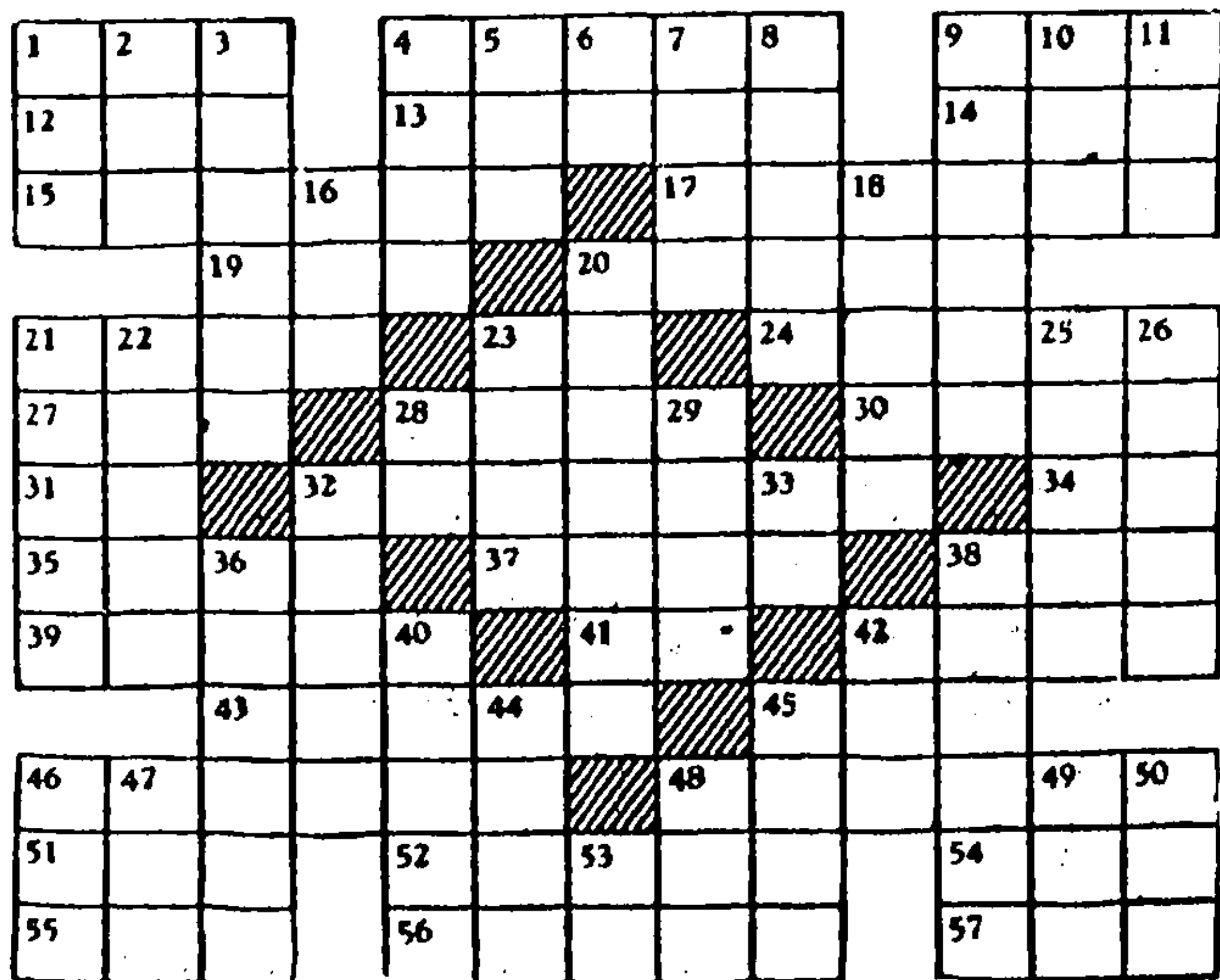


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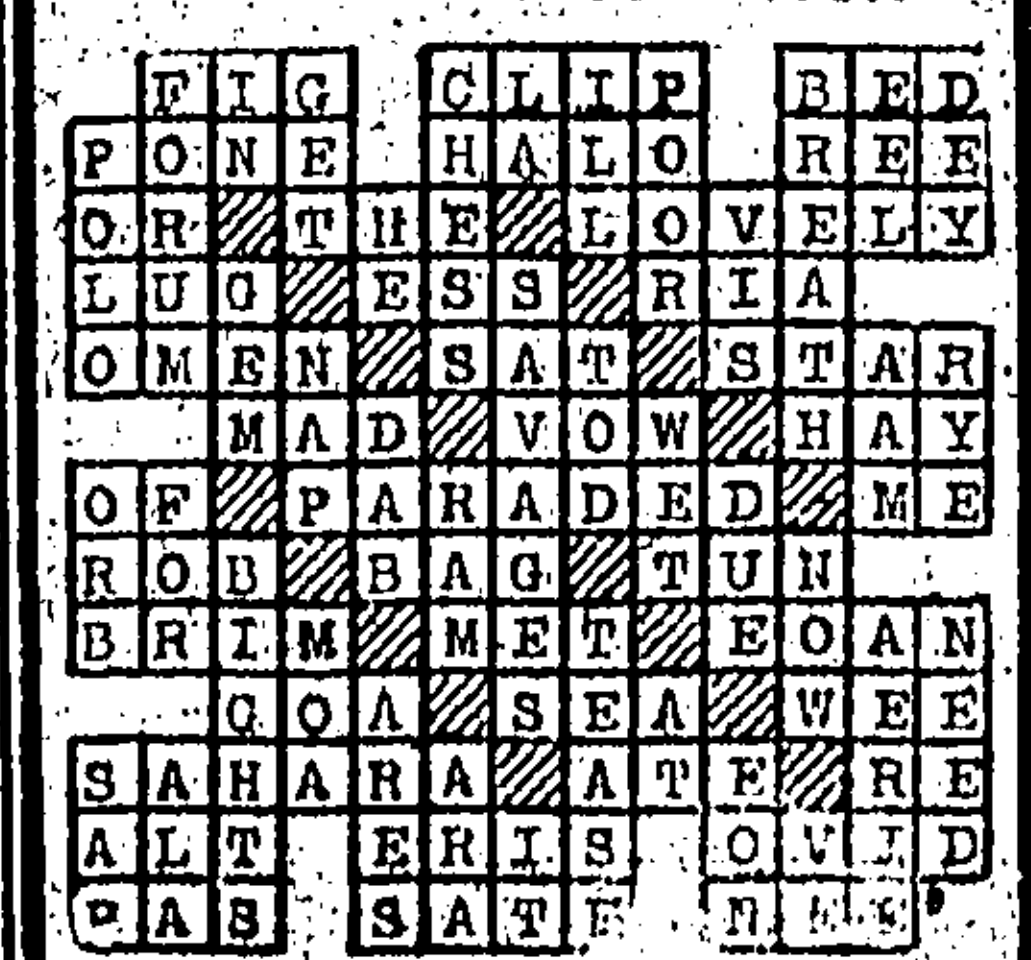
HORIZONTAL

- 1 To knock lightly.
- 4 Pronoun.
- 9 Constellation.
- 12 Girl's name.
- 13 Boring tool.
- 14 Container.
- 15 To jolt.
- 17 Sensitive.
- 19 To yield.
- 20 City in Switzerland.
- 21 Physiognomy.
- 23 Land measure.
- 24 To furnish.
- 27 Ember.
- 28 Inlets.
- 30 Pertaining to aeroplanes.
- 31 Preposition.
- 32 Witty person.
- 34 Pronoun.
- 35 To deal in.
- 37 Glacial ridges.
- 38 Meadow.
- 39 Food fish.
- 41 Symbol for Iridium.
- 42 Furnace.
- 43 To make amends.

VERTICAL

- 1 Dervish's cap.
- 2 Flurry.
- 3 Abdomen.
- 4 Diplomacy.
- 5 Colour.
- 6 King of Bashan.
- 7 Bristle.
- 8 Eaten away.
- 9 To agree.
- 10 Cheer.
- 11 Some.
- 12 By birth.

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION



- 18 Pertaining to a bone of the arm.
- 20 Golf club.
- 21 Opera by Gounod.
- 22 Turkish unit of money.
- 23 Japanese aborigine.
- 25 Bay window.
- 26 Chief Norse god.
- 28 Symbol for ruthenium.
- 29 Heavenly body.
- 32 God of the underworld.
- 33 Comparative ending.
- 36 Shaped masses.
- 38 Flowerless plant.
- 40 Evidence.
- 42 Outfit.
- 44 Roman emperor.
- 45 To cloy.
- 46 Babylonian war god.
- 47 Pheasant brood.
- 48 Lettuce genus.
- 49 Fruit drink.
- 50 Evergreen tree.
- 53 To depart.

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ELECTRIC-WHISKERS BERGANZOLI IN BRITISH HANDS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS in Cairo announce the capture of the elusive Corps Commander, "Electric-Whiskers" General Berganzoli, and also the Fascist Army Chief and five Senior Generals, plus many thousands of prisoners around Benghazi.

While mopping up in the Benghazi zone, says the announcement, Anglo-Australian armoured vanguards thrust spearheads one hundred and thirty miles to the West, near the Tripolitania border, capturing the fortified desert town of El Agheila.

The British Army of the Nile en route to Tripoli now faces a three-hundred miles expanse of uninhabited desert, with only three or four watering places.

The magnitude of the Italian disaster in Benghazi is increasingly apparent with the new information that "owing to the extent of the area covered it will be some time before the exact number of prisoners and the amount of war materials captured can be assessed."

The capture of General Berganzoli furnishes the climax to a dramatic month's hunt for him since he escaped, with a few companions, when Bardia fell. General Berganzoli was second-in-command to Marshal Graziani.

Keren Battle

Meanwhile, other British drives have been intensified with the major battle in Keren, where Italian reinforcements are striving desperately to halt the drive towards Asmara.

East of Barentu, British forces are pursuing the retreating Italians in the direction of Arreza.—International News.

BRITAIN'S SHIPS OF FUTURE

(By A Correspondent)

Ships of the future may be built of aluminium and navalium — an alloy containing a preponderance of aluminium — especially if a cheaper method of extracting aluminium from clay can be found.

Even if navalium were to cost three times the price of steel, I am informed, future ships would be built with the alloy, as the structural savings would be enormous owing to its lightness.

Already, aluminium is being used more and more in ship construction.

In a cruiser as much as 200 tons may be saved in weight by the substitution of aluminium alloy for brass or sheet steel in many parts of the ship which do not have to resist stress.

Pioneer Work

The British shipbuilding industry has done pioneer work in the use of aluminium.

Several small vessels of the yacht type have been constructed of aluminium alloy with satisfactory results.

The alloy, however, has never been used in the main structural parts of ships other than those of the smallest size.

In merchant ship construction, the most extensive use of the alloy so far has been in the building of the deck-houses of the Norwegian motor-ship Fernplant, where a saving of 30 tons was effected.

PILOT WHO TWICE BALED OUT

Five fighter pilots who have "baled out" by parachute, visited a factory in Britain during the week-end to thank the men and women who made their parachutes.

One after another, the pilots climbed on a table to tell their experiences when they jumped out and each said, rather nervously, "Thank you for saving my life."

One pilot, describing his sensations during his first parachute jump, said: "I began to float down and the sensation is absolutely wonderful. There was the North Sea below and a little ship."

"I saw my plane crash into the sea and I was very sorry. I began to breathe very deeply as I reached the sea in case I went under. As I hit the water I pressed the button which threw off my parachute harness and in a couple of seconds I was swimming round and enjoying myself."

Then a little boat came out from the ship and picked me up.

The second time I had to jump when over London. I thought, 'Well here we are again, I have done it before; it is easy this time. I duly landed, quite comfortably, in a blackberry bush. I picked myself up and found a rifle muzzle levelled at my head, but made myself known and was taken to hospital.—British Wire- less.

CHUNG HWA CLUB DANCE

Celebrating their second anniversary, the Chung Hwa Club will hold a Supper Dance in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, on Saturday next.

Although young, the Chung Hwa Club has made a name for itself in sporting circles having, since its inauguration, participated in almost every branch of sport, particularly in baseball and softball.

Most of its members are American born Chinese, the President being Mr. Al Lau; Vice-President, Mr. Dick Chung; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Kenneth Wong; and Hon. Secretary, Miss Gene Pang.

Miss Gene Pang will be sailing at the end of this month for the United States where her parents have made their home.

Chan Lung-hi, was to-day fined \$15 or two weeks by Comm. T. C. Stiff, Marine Magistrate, for unlawful boarding of the Tjibadak.

SPITFIRE RAMS A BOMBER

A Spitfire rammed a Heinkel heavy bomber in mid-air during an enemy raid over a south-east town. The Spitfire tore off one of the Heinkel's wings and both machines crashed out of control. The four men of the bomber crew and the Spitfire pilot were killed.

The plane came down at Buckland, midway between Sittingbourne and Faversham, Kent.

There was a burst of flames as the machines crashed, and as firemen ran towards them, bombs exploded and killed one of them. Another fireman was injured and died later.

When the raider suddenly appeared from the clouds over the town, it was immediately attacked by Spitfires and made off with three of our fighters rapidly overhauling it.

All three fighters were able to get in bursts of machine-gun fire as the raider raced for safety.

The last to attack was a sergeant-pilot. He came up, overtaking at high speed, from directly astern.

His fellow-pilots saw his Spitfire fly straight into the Heinkel and both aircraft crashed in flames.

IRAQ'S POLICY

IRAQ'S BEST POLICY IS TO KEEP OUT OF THE WAR, SAID THE NEW IRAQI PRIME MINISTER, GENERAL TAHA EL HASIMI PASHA, ADDRESSING THE IRAQI PARLIAMENT YESTERDAY AT BAGHDAD.

The Prime Minister added: "Our ally, Britain, has not submitted any demands which would involve us in the war. The Government intends to strengthen its friendship with our British ally. That friendship is based on mutual interest."—Reuter.

MR. W. J. KESWICK ARRIVES IN H.K.

Mr. W. J. Keswick, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, who was wounded recently in Shanghai by the President of the Japanese Rate-Payers' Association, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday on the President Monroe, together with his wife.

It is understood that Mr. Keswick is proceeding to Manila, after a rest in the Colony, on February 15, by the President Coolidge and will return in the same vessel to Shanghai.

AN ENGAGEMENT

At a gathering at her residence, No. 798, Nathan Road, yesterday, Mrs. Rose Jang, wife of Mr. P. F. Jang, of Massachusetts, America, announced the engagement of her second son, Frank King, to Miss Mary Tai, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. B. Tai, of No. 35, Shek Kei Mei Street.

WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has attained considerable intensity, and covers the greater part of China and Manchuria. A shallow depression is moving North-Eastwards across Japan.

CHINA MAIL
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THE BLACKMAILER

It was announced in London the other day that the British government had agreed at the "personal request" of President Roosevelt, to pass food and clothing for children in unoccupied France, provided that it was distributed under the direct supervision of the American Red Cross. So safeguarded, this is not an unreasonable arrangement. In so far as the American supplies can be substituted for what would otherwise have to be allotted to the French children, they provide the Nazis with just that much additional resources wherewith to blow British children out of their beds, to prolong the horrors of the Polish pogroms, to blast Greek peasants into fragments and to carry on all the other cultural activities of the Axis. Because the issue is preliminarily one of humanitarianism, one cannot neglect the essential human factors involved.

Happily, however, they are unlikely to bulk large under this particular plan. With Red Cross supervision, it seems probable that whatever supplies are sent will not only reach the children for whom they are intended, but will in the main be a supplement to rather than a substitute for what the children are now receiving. Carefully limited as it is, the arrangement does, in fact, appear to offer a means for getting a maximum amount of relief to the most poignant victims of the Nazi terror while affording a minimum of aid toward the prolongation and intensification of the terror itself. If all the large, loose, sentimental schemes for "feeding Europe" had been conceived with an equal care and an equally realistic appreciation of the factors involved, they might have accomplished far more in terms of actual human welfare than they have accomplished.

Here is a plan within the realm of the practical and the genuinely humane, and Britain has acceded to it. Perhaps it is no more than any civilised government would have done. But one cannot help noting that Britain, in affording this relief to French children, is asking nothing in return. Our own children are being bombed and blasted, mangled physically and mentally. Britain might well insist on making the price of help for

It was once said to me that our pilots had a "superiority complex" when they went up either to tackle Nazi raiders or go off on bombing expeditions. Machine for machine, it was a fairly even match; but man for man, the British pilot had a decided pull.

I asked the reason for this. "Because our boys have a much more thorough schooling," I was told, I accepted that explanation. And now, having watched some of these boys being put through the mill, I am quite convinced.

Only a few hours at an R.A.F. training school sufficed to show me how much hard work has to be done by these potential pilots before they earn their coveted wings. From the time they get into uniform and are taught the rudiments of flying to the stage when they have graduated, it is one long training.

It isn't just the knowledge of flying that an R.A.F. pilot must acquire. That would be relatively simple. No, he must learn the whole alphabet of aeronautics and the thousand-and-one details involved.

A Stiff Course

His training extends over a period of eight months. The novice has to pass through a stiff curriculum before he becomes a qualified pilot.

Having passed his medical test, he is posted to an initial training wing, where for eight weeks he is drilled into a fit man and attends lectures—but no flying. When he leaves he feels he is cut out for the job.

So, on to the Elementary Flying School, where he puts in 50 hours. His bent is soon discovered by the instructors, and he is graded either as a fighter or bomber pilot—or a failure, in which case he has an opportunity of going into another section of the Service.

Thus far, he has learned sim-

ple flying in a single-engine plane, and he advances to the Intermediate Training Squadron. It is here that he undergoes the most vital training over a period of many weeks. They are weeks of full hours, a revival of school class-room days that mean matriculation to the next and highest college of R.A.F. preparation.

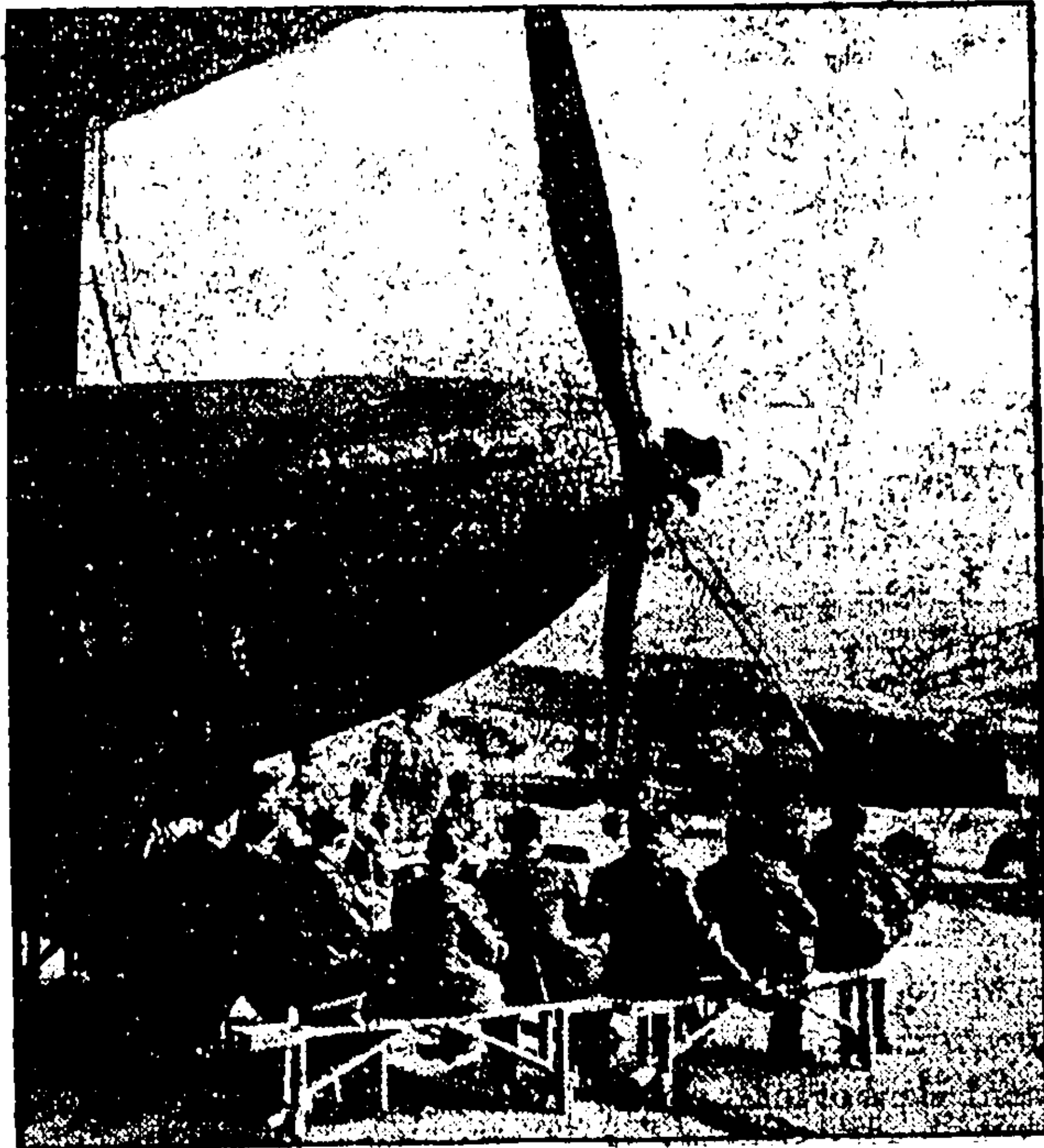
The twin-engine plane is mastered, and the airman, now virtually a qualified pilot, goes on to the Operational Training Unit for his final instructions to familiarise

himself with the particular bomber plane he is to fly.

First Lessons

Yes, simple it may seem. But what does it all entail? Before the aspiring airman is admitted to the Service he has to go through a stiff medical examination. Nerve tests are carried out—sharp raps with a hammer on nerve centres in the legs, arms and stomach.

Now to the real business. Or is it? The Initial Training Wing may be a little boring to any but the most enthusiastic student.



PRACTICAL LESSON for our airmen—a class in progress at an R.A.F. training school.

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It is the combination of these controls that is an important part of the teaching.

The first lessons learned, the pilot goes to the Intermediate Training Squadron, where he meets a twin-engine plane for the first time. He must polish up his air-manship, "road" manners in the air, and learn how to get the best out of his craft, which alone forms a distinct study.

Then there's night flying. He must know how to request permission to land, and how to do it, and what to do in the case of forced landings. There are the principles of reconnaissance work, bombing, the use of machine-guns, and meteorology, in addition to the highly complex subject of navigation.

One of the most interesting "teachers" I saw at this school was one link trainer, in which the pupil has ten hours blind flying and blind landings. The size of a small car, with wings and rudder, the link trainer, is static, with all the controls and instruments of an aeroplane.

Tricky Controls

The pupil is thus taught by instruments how to fly blind. He sits in the cockpit and operates the controls as he would in the air.

If the "joy stick" is pulled too far back, the speed indicator will fall until the speed at which the plane would stall is reached. And if the rudder is incorrectly moved, the instruments will show that the "plane" is in a spin!

The "course" of the pupil is recorded on a chart by an instrument coupled electrically to the "plane," and this reacts to any operation made by the pilot. All the time the instructor is in communication with the airman by microphone.

Bombing calls for a high note of accuracy, and the airman has an opportunity of attaining this through the medium of the bomb-sighting apparatus. As you probably know, when bombs are dropped from a height of, say, 10,000 feet, they are not released when the plane is directly over the target, or they'd miss it. The speed of the aircraft and the wind must come into the reckoning, and here the all-important bomb sights come into it.

The pupil has a sight in a dark room at the training squadron, arranged over a movable map, and on the instructions of his teacher he "drops" a bomb on a target, and a small light records the hit, or miss, as the case may be. Altogether, the pilot has 20 hours of this ground instruction before he bombs from the air, and here again he has no mistakes.

Ready For Battle

There are several courses in navigation in the air. The first is a flight across country, solo, to an aerodrome 100 miles away and back; the second a cross-country triangular flight of 200 miles, with the pilot, steering the course and the navigator directing him; the third is the same as the first, except that at least 250 miles are covered; the fourth, a skeleton map flight of 200 miles over a triangular course, and the fifth the same as the fourth, but of 300 miles.

Meantime, the pilot has put in armament practice—25 rounds at range firing a camera and cine-gun, not bullets!—formation flying, which demands intense concentration, as you can well imagine, learning the construction and maintenance of his aircraft, studying meteorology, so that he may be able to anticipate weather changes, radio telephony, and signalling.

By now he is the proud possessor of his wings, and ready for the final phase of his training. At the Operational Training Unit, he has to undergo advanced bombing and gunnery instruction, and accustom himself to the type of plane he is going to fly in battle—the culmination of months' intensive study and schooling.

Can Italy Feed Her People?

WHILE recent food restrictions will not cause the Italians to die from hunger, nevertheless they are sufficient to make life uncomfortable.

What is the truth behind this newspaper report?

Two months before the war broke out I walked on foot through Northern Italy. Let me record what I saw, compare it with the few facts that have since leaked through to our Press, and try to draw an accurate, balanced conclusion.

To begin with, much of the land is divided into very small holdings farmed by a single family. From such households all the available young manhood was already in uniform as long ago as June, 1939, lounging at every corner, and is now actively

engaged on foreign service.

Fertile Land

The soil is cultivated by old women, old men, young boys and children from the early ages of eight and nine.

And the hours they work? Well, we were on the road at five o'clock in the morning to evade the midday sun: we passed

By K. R. Walford

girls already singing in the fields. We swung our packs in the late evening: old women, old men and children were everywhere at work.

And the land itself? The implements and stock?

Owing to a system of small agricultural credits, which has flourished for 30 years, the land had been scientifically developed and is consequently very fertile. Mainly divided into small plots, every inch is frugally cultivated.

Beneath the abundant fruit trees flourish rows of vegetables, leguminous crops and small fruit; not a foot is left untended. High up the steep Ligurian mountains, plateau upon plateau of olive groves are carved from the dour-hillsides.

But the instruments are very crude: hand tools; single ploughs; light, mule-drawn carts; very little large-scale machinery.

And the animals are poorer still. The inevitable goat seems always rapaciously hungry; the ribs of the draught mule show through its hide as it is flayed to exert more energy; where horses and cows flourish on the occasionally larger farms their condition varies, but seldom can they be said to bloom; and every blade of grass is eaten flat.

That is the picture that meets the traveller on foot. Hardship, hard fare and hard work such as England has not seen in this generation.

Wheat, beans and olive oil are the staple home-grown foods of Italy. It is part of Fascist autarky to make the country self-sup-

porting through these three forms of carbohydrate, protein and fat.

Three years ago the wheat crop was inadequate to produce good bread, which was consequently diluted with corn flour, making it heavy and indigestible, though it must be admitted that it gave a sense of repletion!

In the winter of 1938-1939 one of the major defeats of Mussolini's regime was on this question of bread, when riots among the population forced the Government to improve its quality. But it was still bad in the summer of 1939, and the present "war loaf" consists of a mixture of corn, rice and maize flour. As a result diseases of malnutrition and epidemics of typhoid are indirectly referred to by the present Italian Press through paragraphs of advice on their treatment. So much for wheat.

Little Meat

A new hardship has been added this winter. Authoritative reports inform us that the olive oil crop this year has been a remarkably poor one. Not only are both oil and its substitutes now rationed, but the price has increased from six to fourteen lire a quart, thus placing it beyond the reach of quite a large percentage of the population. It seems safe to assume that a diet of at least a part of the working people will be deficient in fat this winter.

The only crops that seem to hold their own, both in quantity and quality, are the leguminous plants, beans and peas. These will probably provide Italy's chief protein this winter.

In the last war, the major Italian defeat, the battle of Caporetto, was lost, not through inferior military prowess, but because the soldiers were suffering from a deficiency of vitamin B, and therefore had "no stomach for the fight."

But the civil population, as well as an army, works "on its stomach." Unless by military conquest the Italian armies can reinforce the food front at home, those old men, women and children that compose her agricultural population will either be unable to carry on or may spring a surprise on the world.

French children free and safe passage, for example, of British children to America. But it never occurs to anybody to suggest that some such arrangement should be made a part of the plan. It never even enters one's head that Britain might use the kind of blackmail in human misery which the Nazis have brought to a high art. So every one busies himself in plans to pay off the Nazi blackmailer, meanwhile letting the Nazi bombs fall where they may on those too old-fashioned to resort to such methods.

In Hitler's infinite perception that ordinarily decent people would react in this way lies a chief reason for his successes.

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PLANNING AN
INVASION COUP**A STATEMENT BY GEN. KABISCH IN THE
"KÖLNISCHE ZEITUNG," EMPHASISED THE
VIEW THAT THE WAR COULD BE WON FOR
GERMANY ONLY BY THE GERMAN ARMY, AND
DISCOUNTED THE ULTIMATE POWER OF THE
AIR FORCE.This remark is of the greatest importance at the
present time because it comes just when weather in-
terferes most with air operations.It may be that the Germans,
finding their air force incapable of
piercing the Royal Air Force de-
fences or of shutting down our
aerodromes, are turning to the
possibilities of invasion without
air preparation.It would be a daring plan and
in sharp contrast to Nazi war
doctrine as revealed hitherto.Though it seems at first sight to
be unlikely, the possibility must
be envisaged that the German
command, having found the Luft-
waffe unable to overcome the
Royal Air Force, may make an
invasion attempt at a time when
air operations on both sides are
sharply restricted by weather.they are difficult to shift by
aerial bombardment alone. It is
a point that might influence the
German command in some reck-
less and revolutionary scheme
of invasion without air support.The aim might be to rush the
defences under cover of fog and
mist and to hope that key points
might be seized and anti-aircraft
guns installed in time to enable
them to be held against the aerial
bombardment which would begin
directly the weather cleared.It is, of course, clear that such
an attempt would be breaking all
the tactical rules; but the Ger-
mans have shown themselves
completely uninfluenced by his-
torical theory in their movements.**Dense Fog**In commercial aviation the
weather has often been known to
shut down flying for three and
four days on end. At such a
time when there is dense fog,
the Royal Air Force could play
little or no part in destroying in-
vading troops. The operation
would become one between armies
and navies.Only naval and military
specialist can say whether such
a plan is workable. But both
sides must be well aware
of the limitations placed upon air
support during dense fog.It is true that directly the wea-
ther cleared the Royal Air Force
would at once come into action
again on the fullest scale; but the
Germans have a strong belief
that their troops, once well in-
stalled at a point, can hold on in
face of the heaviest air bombard-
ment.The lesson of the Royal Air
Force bombings of Stavanger
must not be lightly dismissed.
Here German troops dug them-
selves in and in spite of frequent
and exceedingly heavy bombing,
they stayed there. Moreover,
every time our pilots went out
and blew the runways to bits,
the Germans turned to repairing
them at high speed.**Reckless Scheme**When disciplined and tough
troops are dug in at a point,**POLICE
RAIDS IN
KOWLOON**Raids were carried out during
the week-end by the police on
alleged gambling dens on the
mainland, it was revealed this
morning at the Kowloon Magis-
tracy when a number of cases
were heard.The largest place raided was
at No. 366, Nathan Road, second
floor, where 24 persons, including
the alleged keeper, were arrested
by police under Det.-Sgt. N. B.
Fraser on Saturday night. It was
alleged that "Pai Kau" was in
full swing.Before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett
this morning, Li Ki, 38, fitter, was
charged with keeping, while 23
gamblers were charged with gam-
bling.Mr. D. B. Evans pleaded not
guilty on behalf of all defendants.
The case was fixed for hearing
at 2.30 p.m. on February 19.Lo Tak, 59, charged with keep-
ing a "Pai Kau" gambling house
at No. 299, Yu Chau Street, was
fined \$20, while 13 gamblers had
their bail of \$3 each estreated
when they failed to appear.A sum of \$8.18, picked up from
the gambling table, was donated
to the Poor Box.Before Mr. E. Himsworth,
eight "dice" gamblers were each
fined \$2.**HEAVY LOSS IN
BURGLARY**Several burglaries were report-
ed during the week-end, some
\$1,431 in clothing, money and
other articles, being stolen.The residence of Mr. Chan
Wun-fan, No. 12, Prince Terrace,
first floor, was entered during
last night and money and jewel-
lery, to the value of \$740, were
stolen.A contractor's hut at Magazine
Gap Road was forced open, and
52 bags of cement, valued at \$468,
were stolen, some time yesterday.**RICE PERMITS
PRODUCED**Two mistresses of cargo boats
charged with moving rice from
Hong Kong to Kowloon without
permit from the Food Controller
last Friday, were discharged by
Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon this
morning when they produced the
permit.The Magistrate warned them
that they should take permits with
them wherever they moved rice.**BRITAIN
READY FOR
BLITZKRIEG**An important move to
speed up the repair of
bombed factories which
will bring engineers and
surveyors on the spot
even while a raid is still
on, is announced by the
Minister of Works and
Buildings, Lord Reith.Lord Reith has appointed as
Director of Emergency Recon-
struction, Major-General C. C.
Appleyard, and Permanent Area
Officers throughout the country are
to work with the Minister of Air-
craft Production and local recon-
struction panels.The objective of the new
Director will be to concentrate
on the repair of vital factories
and buildings with the greatest
possible speed so that war pro-
duction may suffer as little as
possible.Thus, engineers and surveyors
will be on the spot possibly be-
fore a raid is over, material
rushed in to whatever extent is
necessary, special action being
taken regarding labour. — Reuter.**IT KEEPS
THEM
OCCUPIED**"Rules of Conduct" are
being circulated secretly
among people in occupied
France.Here are some of them:
"If a shop displays a sign
'German spoken here,' buy your
groceries elsewhere.""If there is a curfew for 11
p.m., do not worry. You can go
home and listen to the English
broadcast.""Do not fear the noisy Ger-
man. His boots and spurs be-
tray his presence. But beware
of the quiet civilian Nazi who
installs himself in the flat above
you with his wife and family."Finally, this appears:
"This document cannot be
bought. Copy it out and pass it
on to your friends — this is a
good occupation for occupied
Frenchmen."**THEFT FROM
FELLOW TENANT**Pleading guilty to stealing
\$1,000 in Chinese currency and
clothing from a fellow tenant on
December 22 last, Tang Chuen,
38, was sentenced to two months'
hard labour, and ordered to pay
\$250 compensation, or serve a
further four months, by Mr. K.
M. A. Barnett at Kowloon this
morning.Det.-Sgt. H. J. Baldwin, pro-
secuting, said that accused and
his wife occupied a cubicle at
No. 185, Reclamation where the
theft occurred.Accused who absconded, was
arrested by the police on informa-
tion last Thursday.**RAINCOAT STOLEN**Mr. J. E. Richardson, of No. 11,
May Road, has reported that be-
tween noon and 6 p.m. yesterday,
a raincoat valued at \$30, was
stolen from his car (No. 5347)
which was parked in Statue
Square.

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EFFECTS OF BOMB BLAST

Work which has been undertaken by the Research and Experiments Department of the Ministry of Home Security and observation of the damage done during air raids have shown that the danger arising from flying glass is considerable. While flying fragments of glass have not caused many deaths they have been responsible for a large proportion of the injuries reported when bombs have fallen among houses, and, as Lord Woolton has pointed out, for serious damage to food stocks.

Experience has proved that the blast of a bomb falling within 200ft may burst windows and cause a hail of broken glass driving dangerlike pieces into walls or even into tin containing food. Curtains and blinds will do very little to stop flying glass, though they may do something. Blocking up a window with a brick wall or sandbagging will not save glass unless the window is so completely blocked up as to be practically airtight. A strong black-out screen covered with building board, plywood, or thick cardboard gives good protection.

Materials stuck on glass have proved effective in preventing fragments flying, though they do not prevent windows from being broken. The cheapest and simplest material to use is cotton or linen fabric, stuck all over the glass with paperhanger's paste. Net curtain materials are also very good. Brown paper works well, but it must be tough and thick.

Flying Glass

Bracing devices to strengthen windows and so reduce the chance of their breaking have been tested, but it has not been found that any of them gives any appreciable increase in the resistance of the glass to blast from bombs. Plate glass windows 3-16in. thick or more, which are usually those of shop fronts, restaurants, and hotels, are prone to damage by blast because of their large areas, and the protection of the interior lit by the window is desirable. Small panes of plate glass are relatively strong but may fail by the frame breaking.

When a bomb explodes the direct pressure of the blast may force in the window, or the suction following the pressure pulse may pull it outwards. At greater distances reflections of the shock waves may start strong vibrations in a window which happens to have the same natural frequency. Such a window may break when others close by are unharmed.

The minimum distance from an explosion at which plate glass will escape damage cannot be predicted, but within 200ft. its chance of survival is small. Beyond that distance the chance depends on facts which include the size and the thickness of the pane, the frame fixing, the size of the bomb and the method of detonation, and, in particular, the reflection of the blast wave from adjacent buildings. The last factor is chiefly responsible for the apparently freakish fracture of windows.

When a pane breaks under severe blast, pieces may be scattered violently. It is not possible to foretell whether the pieces will fly inwards or outwards. When a pane breaks under distant blast, pieces generally fall inside and outside within a few feet.

It is desirable to fasten doors wide open during air raids and generally to open windows. On the general question whether windows which are open are less likely to be shattered than those which are closed much depends on the type of window, but as a rule the open window is less likely to suffer damage.

GLOWING TRIBUTE TO INDIAN TROOPS IN MIDDLE EAST

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL Auchinleck, new Commander-in-Chief in India, in a broadcast yesterday paid glowing tribute to the Indian troops for their part in the operations in Africa.

He said that on his way to India he had seen several Indian units in Eastern Sudan some of which had already fought at Sidi Barrani.

"Even this moment they are winning fresh battle honours," he said.

"On the eve of the latest brilliant victory, I received the following message from General Wavell: 'Indian troops were amongst the early reinforcements to arrive in Egypt and have been maintaining the defence of that country ever since.'

"This long period was rewarded by their participation in the battle of Sidi Barrani in which the magnificent work of the Indian troops enhanced the already high reputation they previously held.

"Since then, Indian troops have taken part in several important

actions culminating in the most brilliant pursuit from Kassala to Keren.

"In this action Indian troops performed extremely good work in most difficult conditions."

Invasion Prediction

Lieutenant-General Auchinleck also declared that everything suggested that the present war would be critical while concerning the possibility of an attempt to invade Britain, he declared that he had no doubt whatever that if the attempt were made it would "end in complete disaster" as Britain was now one vast fortress. — Reuter.

NACET BLADES

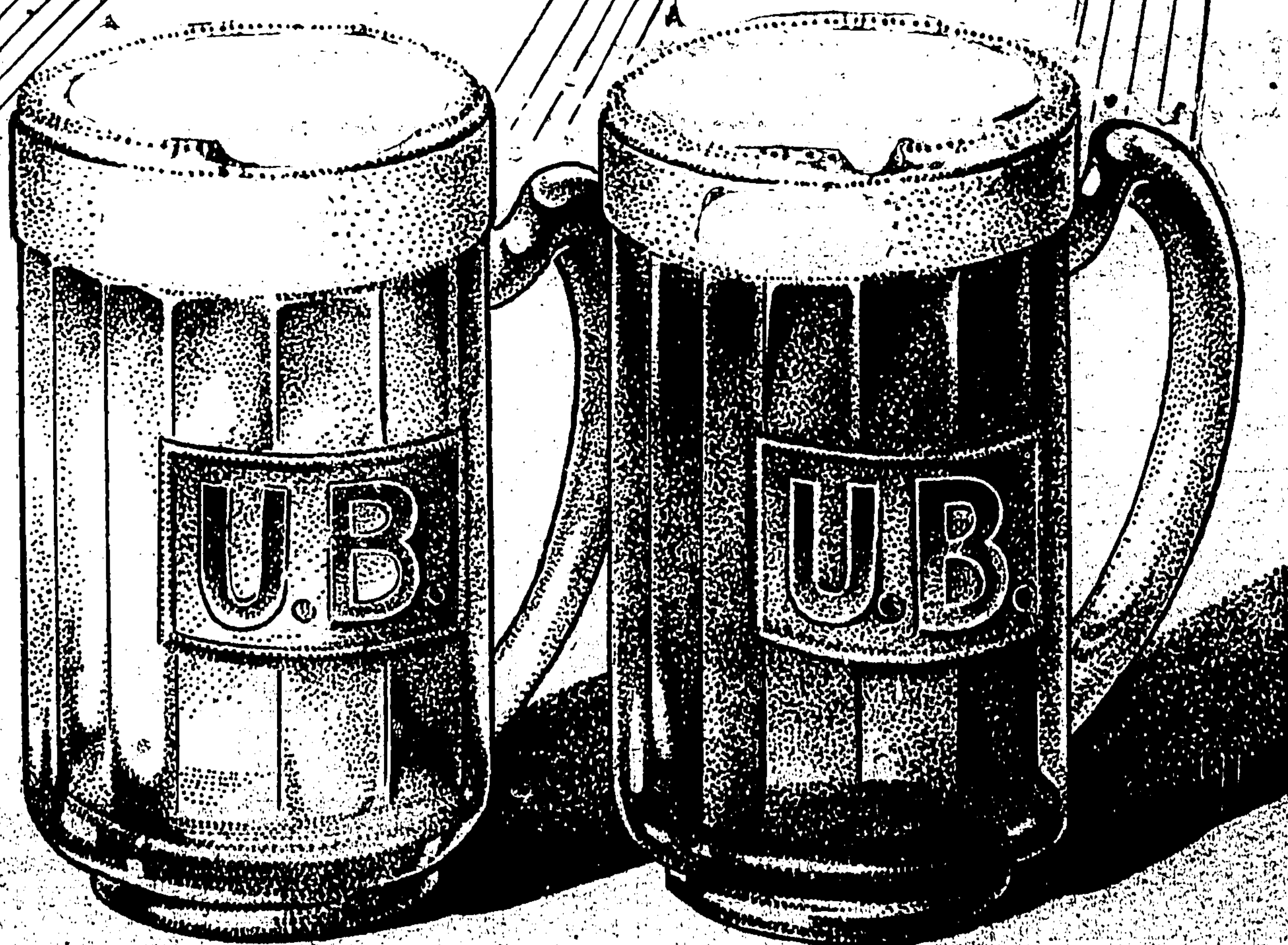
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be HELD at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on **TUESDAY, the 11th, February, 1941, at 11.30 A.M.**, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.
The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the Company will be CLOSED from **SATURDAY, 1st, February** to **TUESDAY, 11th, February**, both days inclusive.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 21st January, 1941.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION
NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on **WEDNESDAY, the 26th February, 1941, at Noon** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940.
The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from **Thursday, the 13th February** to **Wednesday, the 26th February, 1941 (both days inclusive)** during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th February, 1941.

PUBLIC AUCTION
The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **TUESDAY, 11th February, 1941** commencing at 11.00 a.m. at their Sales Room, No. 2, Connaught Road, Central (2nd Floor)
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Hong Kong, 10th Feb., 1941.

BRIDGE NOTES
Bridge Swindles — No. 25
By The Four Acés
South was a little disconsolate about the impossible contract he had reached through perfectly normal and logical bidding; but he achieved the impossible by way of a swindle.
South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable
♠ J 7 4 3
♥ K J 10
♦ K Q J 6
♣ Q 10
♠ K
♥ 7 6 5 4
♦ 8 6 3 2
♣ 9 8 4 3
N
W
E
S
♠ Q 8
♥ 9 8 3 2
♦ A 7 4
♣ 7 6 5 2
♠ A 10 9 6 5 2
♥ A Q
♦ 10 9
♣ A K J
The bidding:
South West North East
1♠ Pass 3♠ Pass
4♠ Pass 4♠ Pass
6♠ Pass 6♠ Pass
West opened the seven of hearts, and South looked for a way to make his contract before he played the first card from the dummy. He could discard one diamond on dummy's extra heart, but that would still leave him with a diamond loser. And certainly there was a sure trump loser with three to the King-Queen cut against him. But perhaps that trump loser wasn't so certain!
With that thought in mind, South won the first trick in dummy by putting up the king of hearts. Then he led the Jack of spades from the dummy. "Cover an honour," said East, amiably, as he put up the Queen of spades. On second thought, we won't repeat what West said as he saw his own King and his partner's Queen fall under South's Ace!
If the players in your group are automatic honour-coverers, remember this type of situation. Few swindles are so soul-satisfying as making no trump loser blossom where a sure loser once flourished. And make a mental note for your own guidance that covering honours in the trump suit almost invariably does Declarer more good than the defenders.
* * *
Saturday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:
♠ 7
♥ A Q J 8 6 3
♦ K J 9 4
♣ K 5
The bidding:
Jacoby Moler You Schenken
Pass Pass 1♥ Pass
1♠ Pass 2♥ Pass
2NT Pass 3♦ Pass
3NT Pass (?)
ANSWER: Pass. You have told your full story and must trust your partner to have interpreted it correctly. Since he knows you have six hearts and four diamonds, and still wants to play for three no-trump, you must assume that he has some reason for his bidding.
Score 100% for pass, 20% for four hearts or four diamonds.
Question No. 635
To-day you are Merwin Moler's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you hold:
♠ K J 8 6
♥ 10 5
♦ A 10 7
♣ A J 10 6
The bidding:
You Jacoby Moler Schenken
Pass Pass 1♥ Pass
(?)
What do you bid? (Answer To-morrow.)
(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

GETS SIX YEARS FOR KILLING
Evidence of blows by an ex-pugilist corporal was given at Sussex Assizes at Lewes by a soldier sentenced to six years' penal servitude for his manslaughter.
Summing up the Judge said that no amount of provocation, cruelty or bad conduct justified a man killing another man in this country. He could see no sign of self-defence.
"But if a man killed because the provocation he had received was more than human nature could be expected to bear, the law made allowances for human weaknesses."
Private Arthur Burrows, thirty-six, of the Pioneer Corps, was found not guilty of murdering Provost Corporal George Thomas Brown, at Burgess Hill on October 1. It was alleged that Burrows shot Brown with a rifle.
In evidence, Burrows said that during the time he was under detention Corporal Brown treated the prisoners roughly.
Burrows said Brown punched him hard in the solar plexus. He also used filthy language to him.
Burrows said he had a hazy idea that he might be able to frighten Brown by firing off a round, not at him, and show him the other rounds.
He thought Brown was coming for him. He picked up the rifle with the intention of warding him off, but not of firing it. The rifle went off.

ADVERTISE — SAVE LIFE
Many lives might be saved and many people spared pain if qualified first-aid people advertised themselves more.
That is the view of an A.R.P. worker after weathering a two months' "Blitz."
He said: "If every person trained by the British Red Cross or the St. John Ambulance Brigade were to paint a first-aid sign outside his house, people who are 'walking casualties' could stop there for treatment instead of going 500 or 1,000 yards to the nearest first-aid post.
"In many districts first-aid posts are widely scattered, and though you may be hit by shell splinters right outside a hospital, you may not go there for treatment unless you are a serious case.
"And a fairly slight injury, can be made serious by a walk of 500 yards."
PUBLIC AUCTION
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LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hong Kong, 8th February, 1941.

When Girls In Their 'Teens Lose Weight.
Girls in their 'teens often out-grow their strength and become tall and weedy. When young people are growing, or when adults are under weight, nature must have the proper materials or the body will not gain a pound. Very often the body building material required is iron.
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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Natural Rhythm For Body Health

All things in the world have natural rhythm and man is no exception. Our bodies were not created for violent exercises which destroy cell structure. If you watch an animal you will know what I mean. A seal sweeps through and out of the water in beautiful, rhythmical movements. A rabbit bounces along at great speed in rhythmic hops. And man can exercise in rhythmic movements too, to keep his body slimmed to normal proportions, and his muscles elastic for his biddings.

Women, and men too, must learn how to stretch. Therein lies the secret of scientific, streamlining of one's body.

First Stretch To Breathe

Few of us breathe deeply enough. We do not give our lungs sufficient air. Part of each lung is never exercised. Why? Simply because we have never learned to breathe correctly. We have never felt where fresh air should go in our lungs. So to begin our Stretching Series (which are given us through the courtesy of Doctor Howard V. Inches) we learn to-day how it feels to breathe correctly.

For Men And Women

This breathing exercise firms the pectoral muscles of the chest, fills the lungs to capacity thus supplying the body with much needed

oxygen, and helps to firm the muscles in the abdomen. Practice it every day of your life. It takes only a few moments each morning.

Stand in good posture, feet slightly apart, hands clasped tightly on the thighs as demonstrated by Miss Helen Parrish in the photograph.

Throw your shoulders slightly forward and breathe with the diaphragm forcefully as you press the hands as hard as possible against the thighs. You must feel a resultant pulling of the pectoral muscles (those supporting the breasts) and a definite expansion of the V which separates your ribs.

Once you feel your lungs fill with air repeat the exercise slowly and rotate your head from right to left as you inhale and exhale keeping your shoulders held slightly forward.

This exercise is a very important one as it enlarges your lung capacity if practiced daily. Oxygen is so vital a part of good health that it is important to learn how to stretch in order to give the body all it requires.

The rotating of the head from left to right relieves head and neck congestion and prevents the abhorred dowager's hump.

This is Stretching Exercise 1 in a new series. Cut out the exercises as they appear so you may have the complete series.



HELEN PARRISH demonstrates a stretching exercise to attain correct breathing and a beautiful bust line.

For Greasy Complexion

The girl who has an over-relaxed, greasy complexion usually has enlarged pores and a sallow skin tone. To correct these ailments a good pore-rousing treatment is essential, and one of the most satisfactory is the old-fashioned oatmeal bag one which requires twelve days of unflinching routine. Here it is copied verbatim from an English book on skin care:

Cut twelve six-inch squares out of a piece of soft muslin. Get one cupful of ordinary oatmeal from any grocer, one eighth of a teaspoonful of powdered sulphur from a druggist, and one teaspoonful of finely shaved castile bar soap.

Add the powdered sulphur and castile soap to the oatmeal and stir thoroughly. Then put one tablespoonful of the mixture into each square of muslin and tie with a piece of string into a small bag.

Use one bag every evening for twelve consecutive days. Saturate it in warm water and rub the face until it is clean. Let the liquid dry on the skin. After two or three minutes rinse the face with warm water and then with cold water. Pat on the following lotion: ten drops of tincture of plain benzoin in one cupful of cold water. Let this dry.

The Next Morning

In the morning wash the face with a fresh stiffish sterilised rub-

ber sponge and plenty of cold water. Use an astringent lotion foundation under your make-up in exactly the same tone as your skin. All cosmetic firms offer



Many a woman learns a lot about her husband from handwriting—especially when the writing is by somebody else.

foundation lotions so select one you like.

Two or three times during the day your face should be rinsed with plenty of chilled water and the make-up applied freshly. Never rinse your face until all old make-up has been thoroughly removed.

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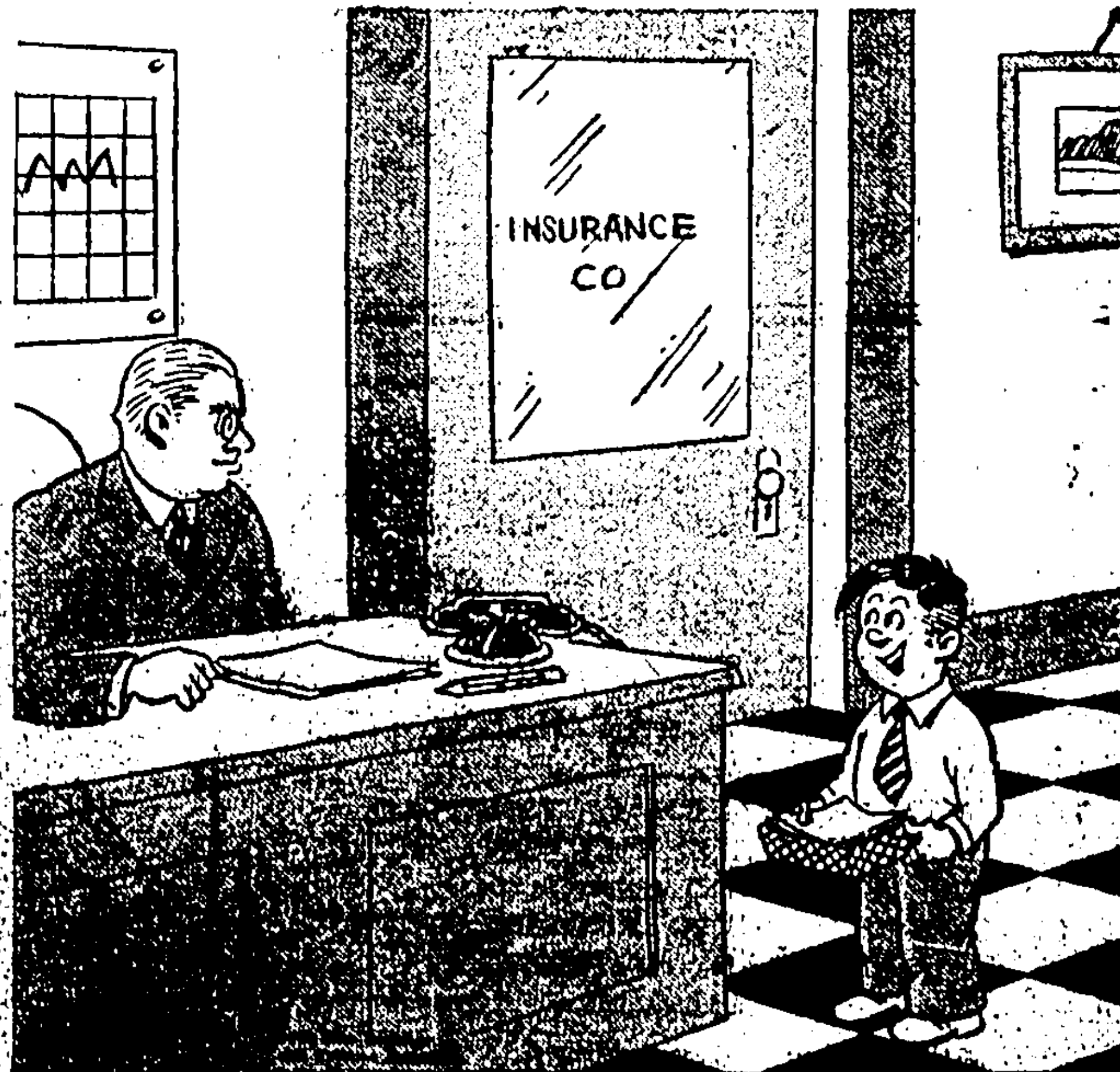
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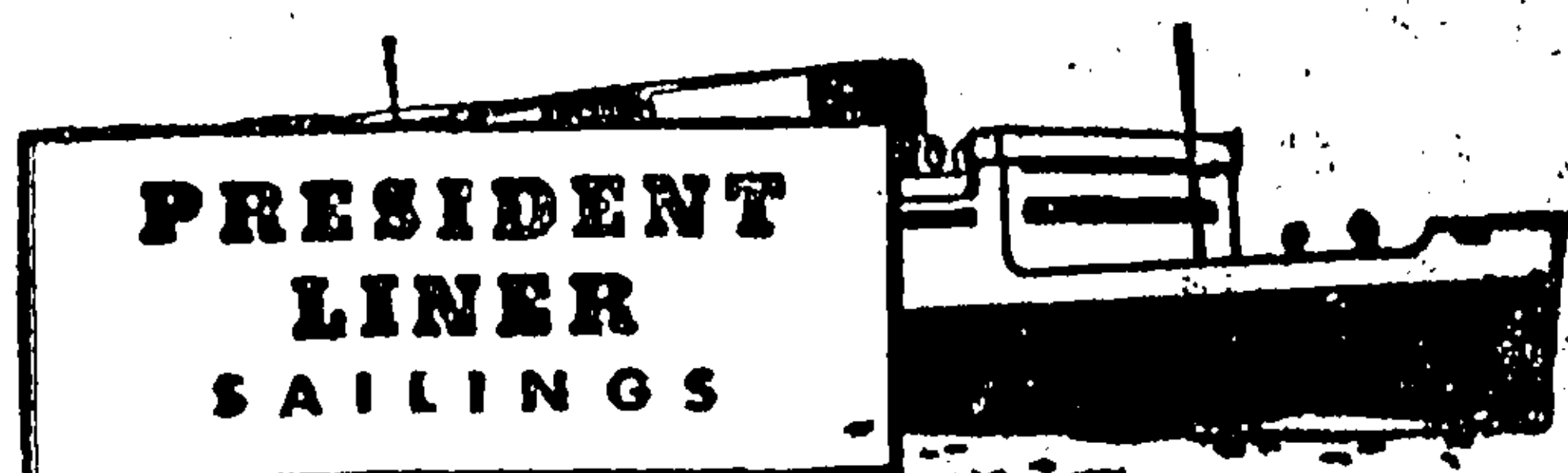


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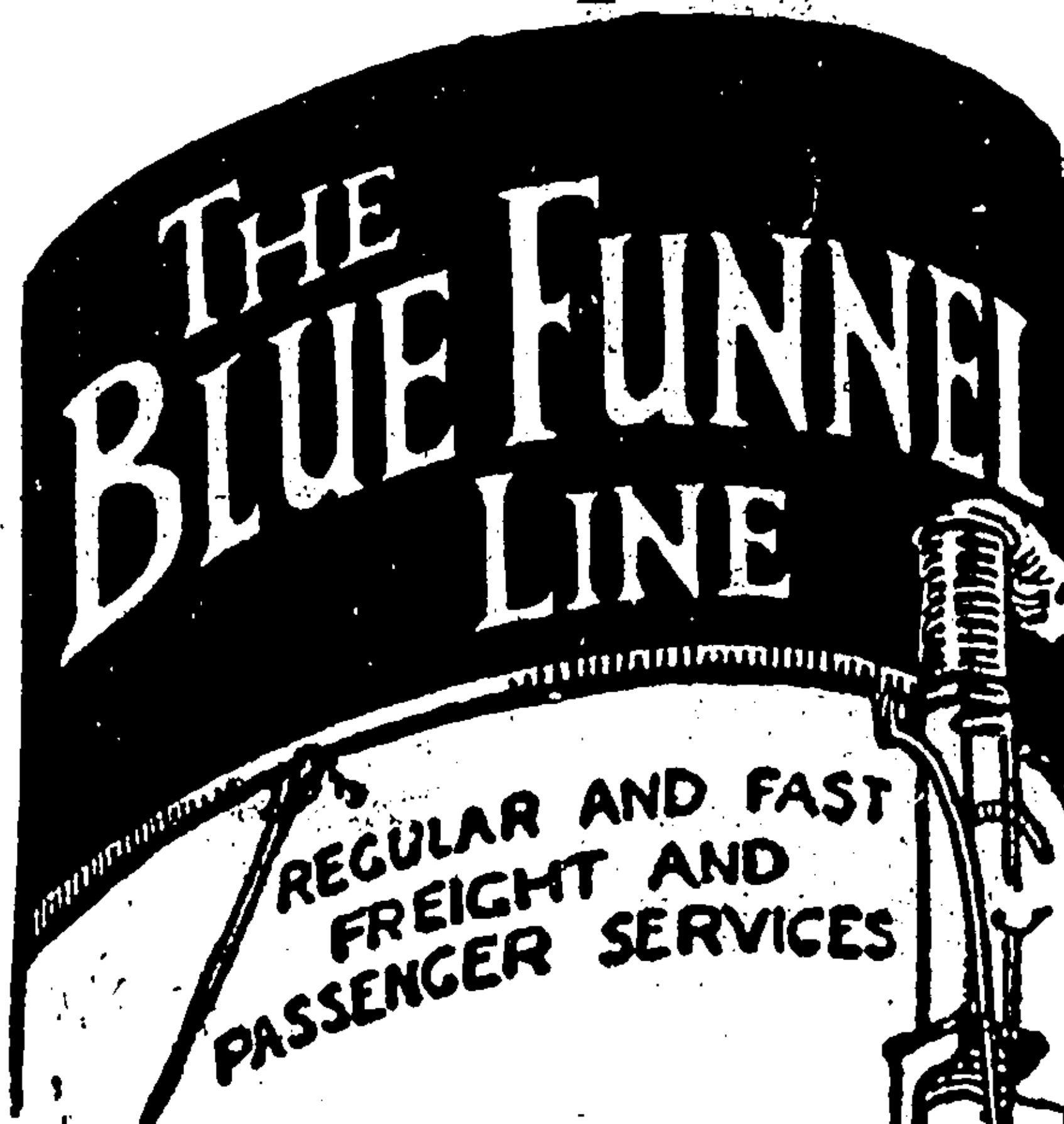
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NAZIS ACCUSE DUTCH OF SIGNALLING TO R.A.F.

MARSHAL GOERING, head of the German air force, has flown over Holland at night to check reports that the Dutch are signalling to R.A.F. raiders, states the Rotterdam correspondent of "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The correspondent adds that the German military commander in the Netherlands has reported to Berlin that Holland "is crammed with spies," who communicate with British aircraft by signals, and inform the enemy of all the movements of troops and shipping.

SERVICES IN THE DARK

In an attempt to defeat the black-out, which, last winter, cut his Sunday even-song congregations by more than a half, the Rector of Bridport, Canon Lind say Bartlett, is continuing to hold the services at the usual time in a darkened church.

Instead of following the service from hymn books and prayer books the congregation will be led by lantern slides flashed on to a screen in the chancel.

"I hope by means of the lantern slide services to keep my congregation together and hold the service at six o'clock through the winter months," said the Canon. Hymns, anthems and prayers will all be shown on the screen from glass slides, and all lights in the church will be extinguished.

In Amsterdam, The Hague, and Rotterdam people go into the streets as soon as the British Air Force is signalled. Anyone asked why he stands watching the 'planes replies: "I want to see some decent foreigners occasionally."

Curfew hours have been extended by the Nazis, and, because of recent happenings, the velvet glove has been replaced by the Prussian mailed fist.

Six Haarlem schoolboys have been sentenced by The Hague military court for sabotage. Four of the boys received 15 months' imprisonment, but the sentences on the other two have not been disclosed, presumably because of their severity. The boys cut electric cables and telephones installed by the German military.

A sensation is said to have been caused by the publication in the Dutch Nazi paper, "Het Nationale Dagblad," of an interview with an official of the Nederlandsche Unie, a corporate body of the Dutch political parties. It is in question and answer form and one passage reads:

Q: Should Britain win and the Dutch Government in England return, what is the attitude of the Union?

A: We know only one Government, and that is in London, and we expect it to return.

Q: What is the attitude if Germany wins?

A: Not a single Dutchman hopes that will happen, but should such a situation arise the consequences are not to be imagined.

Shooting in Amsterdam

An Amsterdam correspondent of "Vrij Nederland" states: "There has been serious street fighting in Amsterdam and Venloo between Dutch and members of Mussert's armed Nazi organisation. In Amsterdam the Nazi party shop in the centre of the city was attacked and wrecked. There was grave fighting and shooting. "The Dutch, armed with knuckle-dusters, crowbars and hods, laid low some of the Nazis. As a reprisal the Nazis smashed up the home of a secretary of the Union."

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By "Referee"

FIELDING TWO RESERVES Eastern were still able to beat Royal Navy by two clear goals in a First Division game at Causeway Bay yesterday and with only two more matches to play seem assured of at least a play off for the runners-up position following Sing Tao's lapse against Kowloon on Saturday.

Eastern did not have matters all their own way yesterday against Navy and had to fight up to the last minute to prevent Navy from scoring and in the first half they had some narrow escapes.

Navy also fielded several reserves but these did well on the whole. Giff, in goal, gave a sound display and was safe in his handling while O'Regan and Roughley were a sound pair of backs who used their weight judiciously and when necessary. Both Eastern's goals were through snappy up opportunities as these two backs gave the forwards little chance to really trouble Giff.

Hazard in the pivotal position was a hard worker and he had the centre well covered though he had a hard task watching Hyui who was in good form. Lahye on his right did not allow Hau Ching-to much rope and this speedy winger was not as dangerous as usual. On the left Britt was injured in the very first minute of the game and could not give of his best but rendered good work in the defence where he more than had the measure of Fu Tsuk-pan.

Honywill Shines

Honywill led the line well but could not shake the attentions of Hsu who had him shadowed throughout. He was seen in several good movements with Le Page. Hendy at inside-left was a hard worker. He showed glimpses of good ball control and sent Barber away on several occasions but he did not have a chance to test Lau Hin-hon in goal.

Le Page did a lot of hard work and was always seen assisting the defence. On the right wing Hall was slow to anticipate passes and permitted several good chances to go astray. In the second half he improved greatly and had Lo Wai-kuen fully occupied.

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The absence of Chung Yung-sun on the right wing seemed to upset the smooth movements of the Eastern forwards in the first half while the unwelcome bustling methods of O'Regan were not relished by Cheung Kam-hoi who was put off his game for a long time. It was left therefore, to Hyui and Tsao to provide most of the danger as Hau Ching-to was always well held by Lahye.

Cheung Kam-hoi Improves

In the second half Cheung Kam-hoi improved and this caused Fu Tsuk-pan the right wing to come more into the picture and Britt was given more to do.

Hsu, the pivot, was the mainstay of the defence and it was through his sterling work that Eastern were able to keep their goal intact.

Neither of the other halves were particularly outstanding.

Ng Kee-cheung played a grand game at right back and he saved his side on several occasions in the first half by his covering.

The Scoring

Playing against the wind, Eastern started attacking early but were met with a stubborn defence in which O'Regan and Roughley were prominent.

Several good movements were spoiled by the slowness of the Navy forwards and after a period of attacking the ball was swung to the right wing and from a centre Hyui scored a goal with a good shot.

In the second half the same player placed his side further in the lead.

For the greater part of the second period Navy attacked but their forwards were not in shooting form and could not beat Lau Hin-hon.

NAVY—Giff, Roughley, O'Regan, Lahye, Hazard, Britt, Hall, Le Page, Honeywill, Hendy and Barber.

EASTERN—Lau Hin-hon; Ng Kee-cheung, S. Y. Yen; Qui Wing-fok, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen; Fu Tsuk-ping, Cheung Kam-hoi, V. K. Hyui, C. T. Tsao and Hau Ching-to.

SATURDAY'S SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Kowloon did South China a good turn when they held Sing Tao to a goalless draw on Club ground on Saturday in First Division and this result now makes a play-off probable for the runners' up position between Eastern and Sing Tao.

St Joseph's gave one of their best performances this season when they fully extended South China at Caroline Hill only to lose by the odd goal in three. Four penalties were awarded in this game and only two were converted.

WEEK-END SOCCER PROGRAMME

Following are the fixture for the week-end:

Saturday

First Division	
Royal Scots	v Club (Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)
Sing Tao	v Middlesex (Club, 4.15 p.m.)
Police	v Kowloon (Boundary Street, 4.15 p.m.)
St Joseph's	v Navy (Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)
Second Division	
Middlesex	v Club (Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)
Sing Tao	v Kowloon (Club, 2.45 p.m.)
R.A.O.C.	v Navy (Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)
Third Division	
20th R.A.	v Shell (Boundary Street, 2.45 p.m.)

Sunday

Lai Wah Cup Final	
Army	v Civilians (Club, 3.30 p.m.)
First Division	
Kwong Wah	v Eastern (Boundary Street, 4.15 p.m.)
Second Division	
Kit Chee	v South China (Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)
Police	v Kwong Wah (Boundary Street, 2.45 p.m.)
Third Division	
36th R.A.	v Air Force (Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)
A.S.A.	v 35th R.A. (Chatham Road, 4.15 p.m.)
24th R.A.	v Signals (Chatham Road, 2.45 p.m.)
R.A.M.C.	v International (Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)

By losing to Kwong Wah, South China juniors are very practically out of the race for Second Division honours while Engineers are getting nearer and nearer to the title, though they were given a good game by Ordinance.

HOCKEY

Rain caused the postponement of several games including the Interport practice but the Past and Present girls of Diocesan Girls School played their Annual game which resulted in Present girls winning by 2 goals to 1.

RUGBY

Combined Services beat Volunteers by three goals and a try (18 points) to a goal, a penalty goal and a try (11 points) after holding an interval lead of 10-3. Combined Services "A" proved too strong for a combined Club-Police "A" team and won by two goals and three tries (19 points) to nil after leading by 6-0 at the interval.

SERVICES TOO GOOD

Combined Services were good value for their Rugby win over Combined Volunteers by 18 pts. to 11 on Saturday.

Their backs were very much more dangerous in attack, and their tackling was always keen.

Outstanding players were Douglass, King and Sutherland, while Volunteers were best served by Thomson, Kennedy and Needham.

In the match in which Services "A" beat Combined Club and Police "A" by 19-0 Keeble and Nelson were only players to impress in a one-sided game.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION	
Navy	0 Eastern 2
SECOND DIVISION	
Navy	0 R. Scots 2
THIRD DIVISION	
20th R.A.	0 7th R.A. 3
International	1 A.S.A. 1
Air Force	1 24th R.A. 1

YESTERDAY'S HOCKEY

Only three hockey matches of the Hong Kong Hockey Association Tournament were played yesterday, owing to the unfit condition of the grounds.

Police beat the Royal Corps of Signals by the odd goal in three at Sookunpoo. Peja Singh scored both goals for the Police, while Price replied for the Signals.

At Boundary Street, the Central British Association drew with Khalsa, 3-3. E. Fowler (2) and T. Whitley scored for Central British, and Awtar Singh and G. Singh (2) were the scorers for Khalsa.

The match between Police "B" and the Engineers resulted in the former winning by one goal scored by Nawar Singh.

SOFTBALL RESULTS

Following are yesterday's softball results:

GIRLS	
Little Flowers	2, Wildcats 20.
Canuckettes	8, Wahooks 6.
MEN	
First Division	
Chinese	2, Indians 6.
Filipinos	3, St. Joseph's 20.
Cyclones	3, Mohawks 7.
Second Division	
Liga Portuguesa	13, Nam Hwa 9.
Royal Scots	4, V.R.C. 23.
INTER-HONG	
Greenspots	2, Wayfoong 18.

GOLF RESULTS

Following are the results of golf matches played yesterday:

G. M. Young Cup (Semi-Final). B and S beat Gibb Livingstone and Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank beat Chartered Bank.

Junior Championship (Semi-Finals). S. L. Lloyd beat N. D. Lloyd 1 up.

A. J. Dennis beat E. G. Price 4 and 3.

Stubbs Shield (Semi-Final). P.W.D. beat H.K.S.R.A. 4 and 2. 5th A.A. Regiment R.A. beat B and S 1 up.

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Waggle, Wise Move

BY BEST BALL

That brief waving of the club back and forth over the ball, as the player gets set for his shot, may seem just so much wasted time and motion to the uninitiated. Actually it serves a fine purpose. The waggle at address lessens tension. It allows the player to let off just enough steam at this point to get in the right frame of mind for the shot. A keener feel of the clubhead, and the avoidance of a too tight grip are also by-products of this movement.

Prolonged, however, the waggle will possibly lead to an aggravation of the very ills one is attempting to cure. In addition it incites indecision so that the player remains in doubt about the actual execution of the stroke. Next Article—Arm vs. Arm And Body Action

GRAPHIC GOLF



WAGGLE AT ADDRESS LESSENS TENSION

Two Outstanding Local Cricket Achievements

Fenton Takes All Ten Engineer Wickets

Anderson Reaches His 1,000 Runs

By "Adrem"

THE FRIENDLY ALL-DAY CRICKET MATCH AT SOOKUNPOO BETWEEN K.C.C. AND R.E., WHICH THE FORMER WON BY 131 RUNS YESTERDAY WAS NOTABLE FOR TWO FINE FEATS.

D. J. N. Anderson, the K.C.C. opening batsman, completed his 1,000 runs for the season after he had scored 37 — he went on to make 82 not out — and R. J. Fenton performed the extremely rare feat of taking all 10 Engineer wickets.

Kowloon batted first on a perfect matting wicket. The outfield was slow and the ball had to be hit hard before it would reach the boundary.

Tropp and Denyer bowled steadily and three wickets fell in 30 minutes for only 20 runs.

Anderson was then joined by Mackay and this partnership added 133 runs. Mackay then being caught and bowled by Denyer for 67 soon after lunch.

Denyer struck an inspired patch after lunch and the balls with which he bowled Gray and Perry were very good ones. Anderson, however, was in no trouble and when the innings closed K.C.C. were two short he was still undefeated.

The earlier R.E. batsmen shaped well, Ratcliffe and Shaw looking particularly confident and Tropp defending stoutly throughout, but Fenton, turning the ball both ways and keeping a fairly accurate length, took wickets regularly.

On three occasions in the course of this innings he took two wickets with successive balls but he was unable to complete the "hat-trick."

It is understood that Fenton will be presented with the ball, suitably mounted and inscribed, with which he accomplished his feat yesterday.

KOWLOON C.C.	
D. J. N. Anderson, not out	82
W. L. Rapley, b Tropp	6
A. Zimmerman, c and b Holliday	6
L. R. Burch, b Tropp	3
N. A. E. Mackay, c and b Denyer	67
S. A. Gray, b Denyer	1
A. E. Perry, b Denyer	9
K. M. Baxter, lbw., Denyer	0
R. J. Fenton, b Denyer	10
Extras	9

Bowling Analysis	
O.	M.
Tropp	12 1 43 2
Holliday	4 1 15 1
Denyer	9 7 1 45 5
Shipp	4 0 34 0
Ratcliffe	3 0 19 0
Shaw	1 0 13 0
Samways	1 0 15 0

ROYAL ENGINEERS	
Holliday, c Anderson b Fenton	0
Ratcliffe, c Gray, b Fenton	12
Shaw, b Fenton	4
Tropp, not out	22
Bailey, st Zimmerman, b Fenton	0
Shipp, c Gray b Fenton	9
Denyer, b Fenton	0
Samways, b Fenton	5
Kehoe, b Fenton	2
Hawkins, b Fenton	0
Palmer, b Fenton	8
Extras	8

Bowling Analysis	
O.	M.
Fenton	9 6 2 30 10
Perry	5 3 4 0
Baxter	4 0 20 0

RECREIO BEAT CHINA LIGHT

At King's Park yesterday, Club de Recreio beat an eleven from China Light and Power Company by 29 runs in a friendly cricket match.

RECREIO	
A. J. M. Prata, lbw., b Clemo	4
L. G. Gosano, b Silva	28
A. M. Prata, b Clemo	41
A. M. Rodrigues, c Tillery	0
E. M. L. Soares, c Lay, b Silva	0
H. A. Barros, c Lay, b Clemo	4
F. J. Remedios, b Clemo	4
A. H. Remedios, lbw., b Silva	0
F. A. Alves, c Lay, b Silva	5
R. M. Soares, run out	1
A. M. Remedios, not out	0
Extras (W1, B6, LB2)	9

Totals 111

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Silva	9	2	28	4
Remedios	4	0	17	0
Clemo	7	0	28	5
Lay	1	0	14	0
Brown	1	0	15	0

CHINA LIGHT				
E. A. Noronha, b Alves	6			
F. J. Lay, b Gosano	3			
M. A. Remedios, b Gosano	0			
P. M. N. da Silva, c F. J. Remedios, b A. M. Prata	16			
C. F. Wood, c E. M. L. Soares, b A. M. Prata	19			
A. C. Tinson, c Alves, b A. M. Prata	4			
J. W. Bertram, b B. M. L. Soares	20			

W. Tillery, c A. M. Remedios, b A. H. Remedios	2
A. B. Clemo, c Alves, b A. H. Remedios	6
W. J. Brown, c Gosano, b A. J. M. Prata	3
P. D'Almeida, not out	0
Extras (W2, B1)	3
Totals	82

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gosano	4	0	13	2
E. A. R. Alves	4	1	16	1
A. M. Prata	4	2	10	3
R. M. Soares	3	0	9	0
A. H. Remedios	3	0	9	2
F. J. Remedios	2	0	12	0
E. M. L. Soares	1	0	10	1
A. J. M. Prata	1	1	0	1

MACAO SOCCER TEAM

Macao Football Association, who play Eastern to-morrow at Caroline Hill will be represented by the following:—

Carvalho: Cordova and Chifu; Sousa, Colaco and Magalhaes; Ipoutou Airo-sa, Querreira, Lau Chon-kuan and Chong Han-kong.

Reserves:—Mendes, Pimenta and Leandro.

The team arrives to-morrow morning and will stay at Hotel Cecil.

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M. FLANDIN RESIGNS

To Clear Way For Cabinet Re-Shuffle In Vichy

Admiral Darlan To Have Post Of Vice-Premier

M. FLANDIN, WHO SUCCEEDED M. LAVAL AS FOREIGN MINISTER IN THE VICHY GOVERNMENT, HAS RESIGNED LEAVING MARSHAL PETAIN FREE TO REFORM THE GOVERNMENT.

VICHY CABINET RE-SHUFFLE

The replacement of all French Ministers except Admiral Darlan and General Huntziger (and possibly Barthélemy, the newly-appointed Minister of Justice) is expected in a Vichy Cabinet re-shuffle, says the official German News Agency.

The re-shuffle, according to D.N.B., is likely to take place either to-day or to-morrow (Tuesday). —Reuter.

A communique issued in Vichy yesterday stated "M. Flandin who responded to Marshal Petain's appeal when, at a delicate moment, the latter asked for his collaboration, has considered it his duty to place his office at the disposal of the head of the Government."

"This gesture will give a great soldier whose responsibility alone it is to guide the destiny of France, the complete liberty he needs to take all the measures required by the present situation."

"The conversations Admiral Darlan had in Paris following the interview at Lafert (between Marshal Petain and M. Laval) have to the Montoire policy a new reality. It is probable that the situation thus created will lead to decisions in the near future."

Flandin's Letter

"M. Flandin was actuated by a wish to apprise the Marshal of the need to take personalities into consideration. The head of the Government has thanked him warmly for his gesture."

M. Flandin, in his letter of resignation, to Marshal Petain said: "I gave myself to the task you yourself laid down for me — to put into effect the policy of collaboration in respect of the armistice terms with dignity and honour."

"Forces of circumstances had caused me to ask Marshal Petain to accept my resignation."

"I hope this gesture will be understood and interpreted by all Frenchmen as an expression of the duty that falls to us, for the salvation of the Fatherland, to help you in your heavy task and remain united around you."

Petain's Reply

Marshal Petain has sent a reply to M. Flandin in which he stated that M. Flandin, by leaving the Government, was sacrificing himself for France.

His gesture of noble disinterestedness would be understood and appreciated.

ADMIRAL DARLAN HAS BECOME SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS. STATES AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED IN VICHY LAST NIGHT. HE ALSO BECOMES VICE-PREMIER (THE POST WHICH M. LAVAL HELD BUT DROPPED ON HIS DISMISSAL). —REUTER.

PHILIPPINES IN "NEW ORDER"

The United States Under-Secretary of War, Mr. Robert Patterson, in a speech on Saturday night said that the Axis have included the Philippine Islands in their so-called new "World Order."

Mr. Patterson said that the training and equipment of the Philippine Army was one of the chief concerns of the United States Government. — International News Service.

U.S. CONFERENCE REPORT

Japanese sources in Shanghai state that Colonel De Wit Peck, commanding the Fourth U.S. Marines, will shortly call a conference of American military and naval officers on the Far Eastern situation, on the instructions of Admiral Thomas C. Hart, Commander-in-Chief of the Far Eastern Fleet.

Among those attending the conference will be Captain John M. Creighton, naval and air attache of the American Embassy. — International News Agency.

DISCHARGED

No evidence being offered by the police, Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at Kowloon to-day discharged Li Ching-sing, 25, and Pang Hoi-man, 28, who were charged with extorting \$300 from Wong Yung-kee on February 1.



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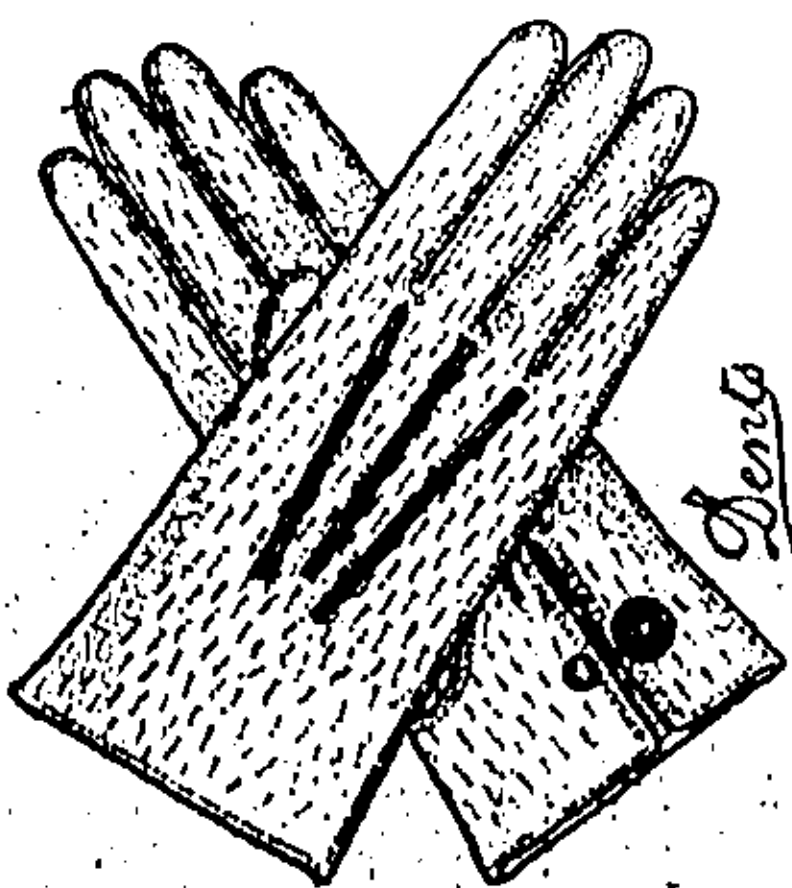
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